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THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY;
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Enclosed are six copies of the closing report of
SA [redacted] dated 12/31/53, at Los Angeles, on
subject organization.

This investigation is being CLOSED for the reason
that it is believed that, considered as an organization, no
Communist infiltration or control is indicated. Arrangements
have been made to obtain issues of the publication "ONE" on
a regular basis, as well as to obtain publications circulated
in Los Angeles by THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY. It is known that the
Los Angeles Police Department Vice Squad, and the Los Angeles
Police Department Anti-Subversive Detail are maintaining an
active interest in this organization, and in the event any
Communist infiltration is noted it will be brought to the
attention of this office.

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Mattachine Society

OFFICE OF THE AREA COUNCIL

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LOS ANGELES LEGAL CHAPTER #103

August 31, 1953



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Dear [redacted]

Your communication of August 17th addressed to the Mattachine Society has been turned over to our Chapter for action. We wish to thank you very much for your contribution and also of being advised of your interest in our organization.

We are enclosing herewith one of our publications entitled, "AIMS AND PRINCIPLES" which will give you a general idea of our organization.

Furthermore, discussion group meetings are held each week. Should you desire to attend a meeting sponsored by this chapter, you will be more than welcome. These meetings are held every other Wednesday evening at the American Legion, 1312 W. 3rd Street--in the Library. Our next meeting will be this Wednesday, September 2nd. The following meeting will be the 16th. The time: 8:30 PM.

Many thanks again for your interest and contribution.

Sincerely yours,



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Aims and Principles

EDUCATION

1. Education of the general public so as to give them a better understanding concerning homosexuality and sex variation, so that all persons may be accepted as individuals for their own worth and not blindly condemned for their emotional make-up; to correct general misconceptions, bigotries, and prejudices resulting from lack of accurate information regarding sex variants.
2. Education of the homosexuals themselves so that they may better understand not only the causes and conditions of homosexuality, but formulate an adjustment and pattern of behavior that is acceptable to society in general and compatible with recognized institutions of a moral and civilized society with respect for the sanctity of home, church and state.

INTERGRATION

1. Since homosexuals desire acceptance in society, it behooves them to assume community responsibility. They should, as individuals, actively affiliate with community endeavors, such as civic and welfare organizations, religious activities, and citizenship responsibilities, instead of attempting to withdraw into an invert society of their own. For only as they make positive contributions to the general welfare can they expect acceptance and full assimilation into the communities in which they live.
2. The long-term aim is not only to support well-adjusted homosexuals with full integration into society, but to give special aid to maladjusted homosexuals for their own welfare as well as that of the community.

SOCIAL ACTION

1. To secure the active cooperation and support of existing institutions such as psychology departments of universities, state and city welfare groups, mental hygiene departments, and law-enforcement agencies in pursuing the programs of education and integration.
2. To contact legislators regarding both existing discriminatory statutes and proposed revisions and additions to the criminal code in keeping with the findings of leading psychiatrists and scientific research organizations, so that laws may be promulgated with respect to a realistic attitude toward the behavior of human beings.
3. To eliminate widespread discrimination in the fields of employment, in the professions and in society, as well as to attain personal social acceptance among the respectable members of any community.
4. To dispel the idea that the sex variant is unique, "queer" or unusual but is instead a human being with the same capacities of feeling, thinking and accomplishment as any other human being.

(This is a publication of the SOUTHERN AREA COUNCIL, and is not an official publication of THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY). Form 1-5-GD

GENERAL

1. To accomplish these aims in a law-abiding manner. Homosexuals are not seeking to overthrow or destroy any of society's existing institutions, laws or mores, but to be assimilated as constructive, valuable and responsible citizens. Standard and accepted democratic processes are to be relied upon as the technique for accomplishing this program.
2. We oppose indecent public behavior, and particularly excoriate those who would contribute to the delinquency of minors and those who attempt to use force or violence upon any other persons whatsoever.
3. Although the Mattachine Society is a non-sectarian organization and is not affiliated with any political organization, it is, however, unalterably opposed to Communists and Communist activity and will not tolerate the use of its name or organization by or for any Communist group or front.

Would YOU like to start a discussion group or chapter?

It's Simple!

1. Notify your friends who would be interested in the Mattachine Society; select a meeting time and place; and then notify THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, P. O. BOX 1925, Main Post Office Los Angeles 53, California, or phone VAndyke 1221 Los Angeles, California.
2. The Area Council will send a committee of members of the society, or copies of orientation and information literature for distribution to explain the society, when it was organized, how it works, and what it hopes to achieve.
3. After one or more of these meetings, your group may wish to organize into an autonomous chapter, and then become another working unit in the Society in this Area.

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LESBIAN RESEARCH PROGRAM

If the rest of you women like to talk about yourself, and who doesn't, here is your opportunity.

Think of it, a chance to tell your feelings to a sympathetic listener. One who will keep your confidences implicitly. They don't care what your name is or where you live, just what you feel.

The questions are painless, the psychologists are friendly, human people. Your appointment can be arranged to suit you. Either at your home or the home of the psychologists.

There are two parts to the study, a discussion and an ink blot test. Your discussion period can be with a man or a woman, it is up to you.

To make your appointment call either of these numbers:

Vandyke 1221 and ask for the Mattachine, your number will be taken and they will call you.

Dunkirk 3-3635 between 5 and 7 P.M. It is not as difficult as it seems.

By the way, when the results are tabulated there will be a meeting of all the women who have taken the test to discuss the results.

Watch for a notice in future News Letters.

These professional people are devoting their time to this study as they feel that previous statistics have been based on material from Penal and Mental institutions. So many psychologists have gone into this field with pre-conceived ideas. However this is not the case in regard to this study.

So come on and call one of these numbers after all you are not the first to take this test, and probably not the last.

For further information come to the Discussion meeting Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m., December 2, 1953 at 424 North Coronado, Apt. #100. The topic for will be "Suggested Lines of Lesbian Research."

WHY TAKE A CHANCE, PLAY A SURE THING WITH MATTACHINE.

POINT OF ORDER

by Lyn Pedersen

Some Convention delegates last week were annoyed by the Rules of Order. One delegate stated parliamentary procedure was being used by one faction for presumably bad purpose of pushing it's own ideas. Although the group as a whole voted the retention of "Roberts' Rules of Order" as a procedural control, it was obvious few delegates seemed familiar with this guide. There was prevailing opinion that the guide was a strait-jacket and ought to be ignored other than in emergencies. The rules become a strait-jacket only if some members in the group make them.

The task becomes tedious if the business itself is tedious and involved, or the chairman not alert and the assembly too bothered with technicalities.

General Robert wasn't God --- BUT -- his manual of Parliamentary Procedure, based on centuries of development of rules and practices in the British Parliament and our Congress, and adapted to the needs of less pretentious societies in the last seventy-five years gained almost universal recognition.

The book is a check-and-balance system to insure the will of the majority, the rights of minorities, and interests of absentees, with the most efficient and fair consideration of business at hand.

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LESBE GAYE - the gossip columnist for the NEWS LETTER starts a column next week. Watch for the opening barrage. LESBE SEE'S ALL, KNOW'S ALL AND TELLS.

Articles submitted to the NEWS LETTER for possible publication will have to be typed in columns of forty (40) spaces single spaced. There is too much work and too few people to give the required time to typing and correctly spacing your copy for stenciling. Please limit your copy to 60 lines.....

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JOIN MATTACHINE AND BE SURE..

"IN THE CHAIR" - (continued)

Of course, minorities can be gained by adroit but unfriendly use of the rules --- hamstring a group, however the chair has the prerogative of ignoring obstreperous motions. To summarize: The Chairman assigns the floor. A member wishing the floor rises, addresses the chair, and is recognized. If no business is before the house, the member makes a motion --- this being the way to open the floor for discussion. The floor is his, after and if the motion is seconded, allowing him to speak on the motion. In debate, the chairman should try to alternate between pro and con speakers. If discussion lags and there is no objection, the chairman may put the matter to a vote. Decision on protracted discussions may be resolved by two thirds vote, postponed or laid on the table, ruled out of order or amended. Motions to adjourn, to recess, limit or extend debate, may interrupt discussions on the floor.

The rules declare certain votes are null and void even if unanimous, if in conflict with the basic laws of the organization's Constitution. Thus while an authorized assembly could, by legality of proper procedure, amend the society's Constitution, it could not vote to ignore it. If it did so vote, action would be illegal.

CIRCULATION OF "ONE"
ON THE UP-GRADE

The business manager of 'ONE', the deviation from all other magazines, announced last week a large increase in the circulation of the magazine.

His biggest problem has been the many readers and would-be readers of the magazine who could not or would not subscribe. The Editors have been continually harassed by eager individuals who wanted to know where they could obtain single issues without a subscription.

The business manager wished to announce 'ONE' is now available at more than 250 newsstands and drugstores in greater Los Angeles. Single copies of the current month's magazine are available for 25¢ so readers are asked to check their newsstands and drugstores.

Are you a 98 pound weakling? Join Mattachine and meet your match.

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LA 1221 King

Dear Editor;

I have a problem. My cat turned rat and presented me with five little mouths to feed. My boss informed me this was not deductible and my cat informed me deductible or not a healthy increase in diet was expected. My problem is doesn't the father of this accident have to contribute something in the way of fish or liver?

J.K.

Dear J.K.

Checking with our legal advisors it is our suggestion you find the father first.

Dear Editor;

As a heterosexual, is this organization called Mattachine available to me? Am fully aware of the homosexuals' plight, but also realize the necessity for our recognizing "sexual equality" for all of society. Your group seems to offer me and others of the majority an opportunity to crusade a little for what we feel are unjust and archaic conceptions. Can we who feel the hypocritical oppressions also, join in your movement? I.C.

ED: Any members of society interested in the problems of sexual equality is a welcome addition to our ranks. VA 1221 can place you in personal contact with the Mattachine Society.

Dear Editor;

I understand that the Mattachine Society has now removed the word "homosexual" from its preamble, since it is felt that people usually hate homosexuals, and we don't want this on us.

I also heard that the Society refused to support a victim of entrapment because the person involved was accused by a Society office holder of being homosexual. I would like to know if it is an exclusive aim of the Society to render protection for the defenseless heterosexuals?

Jim Keppe

Dear Jim,

Please note reply to I.C. above. The case you are referring to was put to a vote by the entire Society and it was felt that the case in question was not the type that could be handled to the best advantage by the Society. ED.

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Here we go with a bi-line..... Chatted with the editor of 'One' the other day and the word is around that ONE is now available on more than 250, that's right, two-hundred and fifty, newsstands and drugstores in greater Los Angeles... Aside to the ED. "Is it too late to buy a little stock?"... News of the winter season, (it's not all in the bare) pardon us, this one is... A party is being tossed by the Long Beach Chapter at the rendezvous.. THE RENDEZOUS?? for all members and friends of Mattachine between 1 & 4 P.M. on Sunday Dec. 13. Bring a gang and come on down, it should start the xmas doings off with a bang. And Santa baby, I'll have two tickets at only \$1. The rendezvous (THE RENDEZOUS) is located at 5007 E. 2nd St., Belmont Shore in East Long Beach... More Xmas frivolity.. Social Committee of 103 is having a breakfast Sunday Dec. 6, so remember to pass up dinner on the 5th.. 1513 1/2 W. Hoover is the address and anytime after 12 till 4 P.M. is fine... Santa baby, I'll have a couple of ducats to this also and don't forget the convertible... Some Chapter here and there's (we looked up the word and it ain't, but mister Typer please!!) Long Beach is really in the news.. Chapter 113 is going to discuss "Attitude of Law On Deviation" on Dec. 3rd, 824 E. 5th, and another topic to be announced on the 17th.. These are always good groups to attend.... The Research Chapter in L.A. is talking another Questionnaire for Gals this time.. Discussion group on the 3rd at 424 N. Coronado, Apt 100 for details.. Their last Questionnaire got such good results they are eager to get another going.. By the way if you haven't filled out the last one you will have to be female to answer the next one, so get on the ball and send in your answers.. Results are still being tabulated and I am confident the SCOOP will be printed first in this column.....

Vanuile 1221 is the official phone for the Mattachine Society. This answering service can put you in personal contact with the Mattachine secure you information concerning jobs, rooms or apartments for rent. Never this number. Give it to your friends. And should you have any information about job possibilities, rentals or other that you think may interest or help the society call.

It only costs a dime and you may give someone the help they need. You may receive aid yourself, so call Va. 1221.

WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

Several of our members have expressed a loss of interest in the Society. "You're just butting your heads against a stone wall", as with Joshua and the walls of Jericho. Perhaps the wall we're up against is stone. But what other material would you use for a wall you wanted to last? And this one has sure lasted too long.

If an object moving with some force hits the immovable wall, what happens? Bang! -- So maybe you break your head, but you can be sure the wall is that much weaker for the next assault.

Our 'minority' is small only to those on the other side of that wall. They have just a little more to do with their time, than to expend it looking over the fence, while they spend their time staring, we can build where they can't.

We don't have to be big enough to satisfy them. What we must work for is the strength to live with them. They won't vote against their sons and daughters, and boys and girls that is you.

The Mattachine doesn't need quantity it needs quality. It has always been easier to walk through an open gate than knock down a wall. Why must the other side of the fence always have the greener grass? And remember this works both ways. We are not trying to overthrow any thing or rule anyone. All we desire is PEACE. Prove what we can do and all gates will open.... Join and fight intelligently. The wall gave way for Joshua.....

WITH THOSE WHO KNOW IT'S

MATTACHINE BECAUSE.....

MERRIES :

There are a growing number of persons who enjoy helping others with their problems. You may, if you have a personal or social problem that might be solved by Matriarchal or Mattachine assistance, there are people available to help you.

A personal interview or a group discussion can be arranged at your convenience. Sometimes another viewpoint helps a lot with your problems. Who could understand your problems better than one like you? The men and women in the Mattachine Society seem scattered, possibly because of certain problems and mis-understanding.

Any member of the Research Chapter #104, can put you in contact with someone to arrange an appointment. We will be glad to help all we can ...

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P A R T Y

A Luncheon will be served by the Long Beach Chapter, #113 on Sunday December 13, at the Rendezvous, 5007 E. Second St., Belmont Shore, East Long Beach. Luncheon will be served to members and theirs, friends or guests between one and eight P.M. Tickets are available at the door for \$1.00 per person and a large gathering is expected. The meal will be prepared and served by members of the Long Beach Chapter and if this proves a success, look for similar projects both in Long Beach and Los Angeles in the near future.

CHAPTER #103 PLANS A BREAKFAST

With an eye to increasing general membership in the Los Angeles area and to better acquaint members in the area with each other, Chapter #103 of Los Angeles plans a breakfast on December 6th, from 12 noon till 4 P.M.

It is hoped that these breakfasts will lead to a better understanding of each Chapters problems. This project will be the first in a series with tickets going at 75¢. The menu consists of Eggs (2) Link Sausage, Hash browns, toast and tomato juice. Coffee will be served continually throughout the meal and available at all times.

Mattachine dinners are being discussed. Picnics and parties are in the offing. A Christmas party is receiving major attention at this time also.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

December 2

Chapter 104 Discussion "Suggested lines of Lesbian Research" at 6:00 p.m., Apt. 100 - 124 1/2 Coronado.

December 3

Chapter 106 Discussion "The homosexual and his family" 1101 1/2 S. Grandview

December 3

Chapter 113 Discussion "The attitude of the Law on deviation", 824 E. 5th Street, Long Beach.

ARE YOU CHAINED TO THE 'HOT HABIT'?
LET COOL, BREAK THE CHAINS WITH MATTACHINE.

December 16

Chapter 104 Discussion "Legal Research" - place to be announced.

December 17

Chapter 104 Discussion "Male and female homosexuality" - place to be announced.

December 17

Chapter 113 Discussion: Topic to be announced. 824 E. 5th St., Long Beach.

December 30

Chapter 104 - Breakdown report of our First General Questionnaire; place to be announced.

The NEWSLETTER is published for you, we want to know what you think of it. So send your letters to the editor. P. O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53.

She - Sometimes you seem so manly and other times absurdly effeminate. Why is it?

He -- Heredity. You see, half of my ancestors were men and the other half women.

- Wet Hen

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Subject listed his references as:

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Information was received at this office that an organization known as the "Citizen's Committee to Outlaw Entrapment" was recently formed in the City of Los Angeles. It is an affiliate of the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, and was organized to work in cooperation with the Foundation. The main purpose of this organization seems to be for the protection of and welfare of homosexuals, and refers to itself as a "non-profit, research corporation, national in scope, educational in benevolent in character."

This organization considers the arrest of homosexuals as unconstitutional and considers these people in the same position as a left handed person, who is slightly different from other people. A legal and financial defense has been secured and the defense will probably be handled by [redacted] has long been associated with left-wing and radical organizations.

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Other people who have taken an active part in the Foundation,
area:

The Foundation has also organized discussion groups and intends to conduct classes and open discussions for both homosexuals and heterosexuals in what they term as unjust prosecutions by a corrupt police department.

The Articles of Incorporation of The Mattachine Foundation, filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of California, April 27, 1953 reads as follows:

On this day, we the undersigned have associated ourselves for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation under and pursuant to the laws of the State of California, and do certify as follows:

I NAME: That the name of the corporation shall be "THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION."

II PURPOSES: A. Primary Purposes:

That the specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to sponsor, supervise and conduct scientific research in the field of homosexuality; to publish and disseminate the results of such research; and to aid in the social intergration and rehabilitation of the sexual variant.

B.

General Purposes:

That the general purposes for which this corporation is formed, in addition to those enumerated above, are as follow

1. To sponsor, supervise and conduct medical, social, pathological, psychological and therapeutic research of every kind and description pertaining to socio-sexual behavior and to publish and disseminate the results of such research.

2. To sponsor, supervise and conduct educational programs for the aid and benefit of all social and emotional variants and to promote among the general public an interest knowledge and understanding of the problems of such persons.

3. To promote the integration into society of such persons whose behavior varies from current moral and social standards and to aid the development of social and moral responsibility in all such persons.

4. To lease, purchase, hold, have, use and take possession of and enjoy any personal or real property necessary for uses and purposes of the corporation, and to sell, lease, deed in trust, alien or dispose of the same at the pleasure of the corporation, and for the uses and purposes for which said corporation is formed and to buy and sell real or personal property and to apply the proceeds of sale, including any and all income, to the uses and purposes of the corporation.

5. To do any and all other, acts, things, business or businesses in any manner connected with or necessary, incidental, convenient or auxiliary to any of the objects hereinbefore enumerated or calculated, directly or indirectly, promote the interest of the corporation.

III

Non-Profit Corporation:

That this corporation does not contemplate the distribution of gains, profits, or dividends to the members thereof and is organized pursuant to Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code of the State of California.

IV

Principal Office:

The County of the State of California where the principal office for the transaction of the business of this corporation is to be located is LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

V First Directors:

That the names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of directors until the selection of their successors are: Mrs. D.T. Campbell 1206 Warren St., San Fernando, Calif.

Romayne Cox

1416 Warren St.,
San Fernando, Calif.

Mrs. Henry Hay

3132 Oak Crest Dr.,
Los Angeles 28, Calif.

The number of persons named above shall constitute the number of directors of the corporation, until changed by an amendment to the by-laws increasing or decreasing the number of directors as may be desired.

VI Membership:

That the authorized number and qualifications of members of the corporation, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of each class of membership, and the liability of each or all classes to dues or assessments, and the method of collection thereof shall be set forth in the by-laws of this corporation.

VII By-Laws

That the by-laws of this corporation shall be adopted by the directors named in the articles of incorporation and may thereafter be amended or repealed by any means provided in the by-laws.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss.

On this 7th day of June, 1952, before me, a Notary Public in and for the said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared ROMAYNE COX and Mrs. D.J. Campbell known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and they duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same. Witness My Hand and Official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

/s/ SAM S. MARRONE
Notary Public in and for said County and State.)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
County of Los Angeles} ss.

On this 10th day of June, 1952, before me, a Notary Public in and for the said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared MRS. HENRY HAY, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the

person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument,
and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same.
Witness my hand and official seal the day and year in this
certificate first above written.

(Photostat of above attached, see
EXHIBIT #3).

/s/ Louis F. Rancher (?)
Notary Public in and for said
County and State.

On March 21st, 1952 Officers of the Los Angeles Police Department arrested one WILLIAM DALE JENNINGS, L.A. #5058429, for Section 647.5 PC (Vag-Lewd). The subject was defended by Attorney George Shibley and prosecuted by Deputy City Attorney Foxx. The case was heard in Division 26 and presided over by Judge Hunt. After hearing evidence in the case, the jury deliberated for two days and failed to agree, standing 11 to 1 for acquittal. The City Attorney then dismissed charges against the defendant. Since that time, The Mattachine Foundation has used this case to show persecution of the minority groups and has threatened to sue the Police Department.

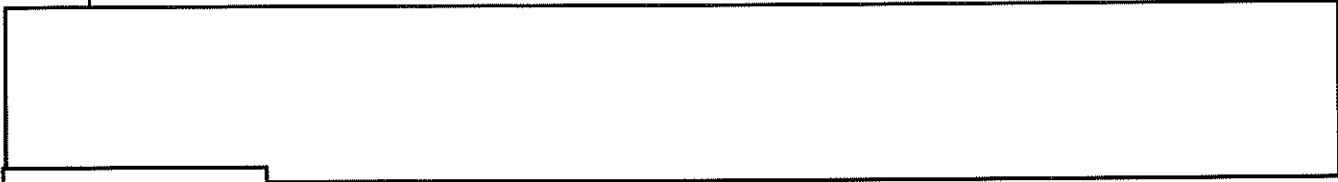
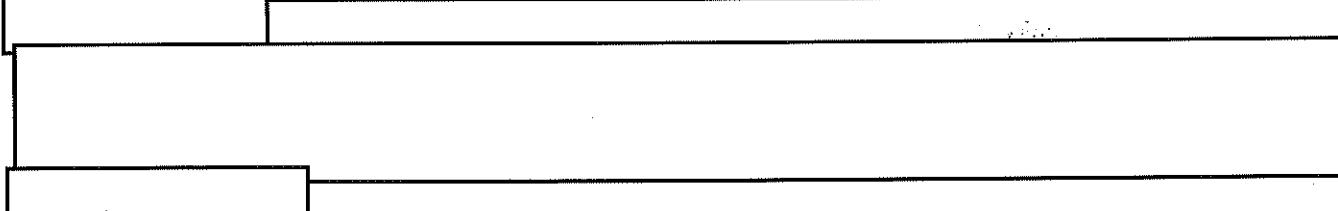
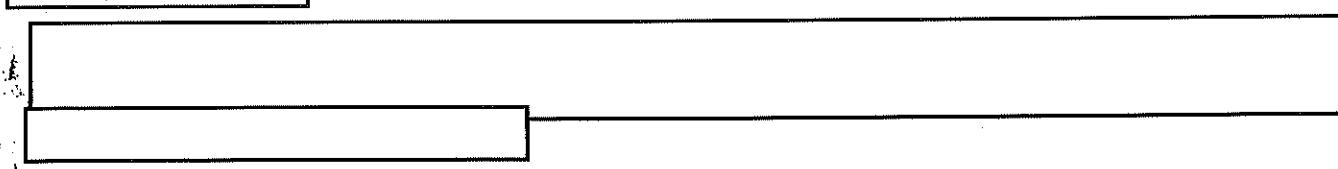
At a recent date literature has been distributed by the CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TO OUTLAW ENTRAPMENT, which is an affiliate of "The Mattachine Foundation" showing the arrest of one William Dale Jennings to be an example of police persecution and unlawful entrapment of a citizen.

The files of the Los Angeles Police Department reveal:

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Note: The Independent Progressive Party has been cited in the Fifth Report, Page 317 of the Senate Fact Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, 1949, as follows. "Among typical mass organizations that are victims of Communist domination". One of the basic Communist fronts in a coalition under the banner of the third party movement to elect Henry Wallace, President of the U.S.

At a recent date a magazine, entitled, "ONE", P.O. Box 5716, Los Angeles 55, Calif. has appeared on the streets of Los Angeles. It is to be noted that one of the editors and directors of this magazine is Mr. DALE JENNINGS, who was arrested by the L.A. Police Dept., on March 21, 1952 on the charge of being vag lewd person and was defended by the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION.

The files of the Los Angeles County Clerk of the Court, File #122012, reveal that Articles of Incorporation were filed in June, 1953. Excerpts from the files are as follows:

IX PURPOSES

A. Primary Purposes:
That the specific and primary purposes for which this corporation are formed are to publish and disseminate a magazine dealing primarily with homosexuality from the scientific, historical, and critical point of view, and to aid in the social integration and rehabilitation of the sexual variant.

B. General Purposes:
That the general purposes for which this corporation is formed in addition to those enumerated above, are as follows:

1. To publish and disseminate magazines, brochures, leaflets, books, and papers concerned with medical, social, pathological, psychological, and therapeutic research of every kind and description pertaining to socio-sexual behavior.
2. To sponsor, supervise and conduct educational programs, lectures and concerts for the aid and benefit of all social and emotional variants, and to promote among the general public an interest, knowledge and understanding of the problems of such persons.
3. To stimulate, sponsor, aid, supervise, and conduct research of every kind and description pertaining to socio-sexual behavior.
4. To promote the integration into society of such persons whose behavior varies from current moral and social stand-

ards, and to aid the development of social and moral responsibility and in all such persons.

III
NON PROFIT CORPORATION

That this corporation does not contemplate the distribution of gains, profits or dividends to the members thereof...etc.

IV
PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Is to be in Los Angeles County.

V
FIRST DIRECTORS

That the names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of directors until the selection of their successors are:

MARTIN BLOCK, 1061½ N. St. Andrews, Los Angeles, Calif.

DALE JENNINGS, 1933 Lemoyne St., Los Angeles

TONY REYES, 221 S. Bunker Hill Ave., Los Angeles.

Articles of Incorporation were notarized by Mr. Fred M. SNIDER.

The files of the Los Angeles Police Department, criminal index, reveal:

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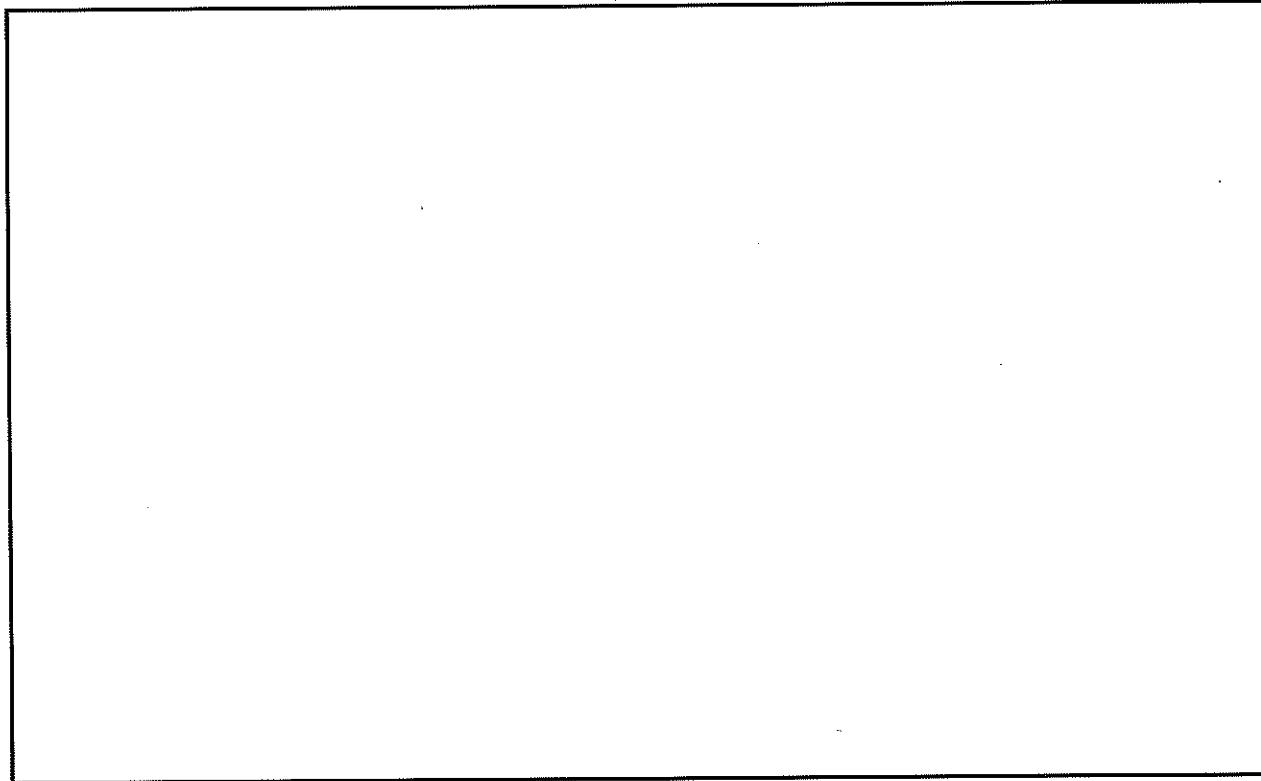
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The Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters files reveal:

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In July, 1953 issue of "ONE" magazine, an article appeared in Page 24, entitled, "MATTACHINE SOCIETY", advising the readers to write the Secretary of P.O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, Calif., for information on forming and conducting discussion groups or organizing chapters in Los Angeles.

Confidential information was received that the above box is registered

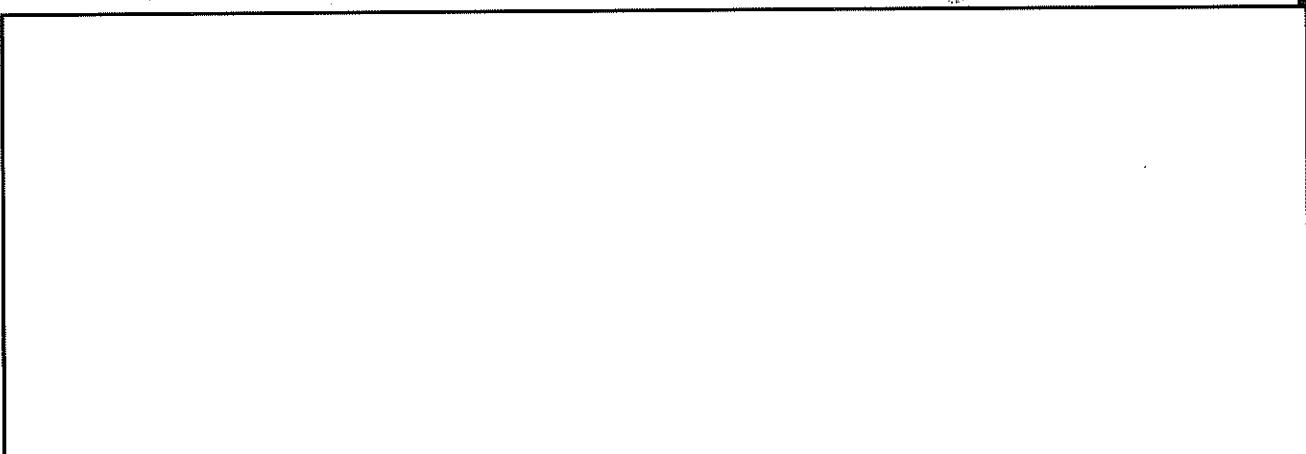
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Both of these references gave satisfactory replies.

The files of the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters disclosed:

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On May 25, 1953, confidential and reliable information was received that a booklet, called, "ONE", is being printed by the TRIAD CO., 1220 S. Maple Ave., (12th floor), Los Angeles, Calif. This is a shop which makes printing plates for the "Trades". This place of business is operated by [redacted]

[redacted] They in turn, employ three colored women, who work the camera, etc. Informant states that upon entering the above place of business, a negative was noticed lying on a table. Informant noticed that it was a part of a [redacted] booklet being printed by the MATTACHINE organisation. [redacted] noticed informants interest and said that this was the second time that they had made the plates for this organisation. She said she had a strong suspicion that there were "Reds" involved with the organization because it sure stressed what to do in case of an arrest. [redacted] then joined the conversation and stated that at one time she had written to some organization to find a resort where she (white) and her employees (Negroes) could go. This organization sent her all kinds of leaflets on minority groups and kept mailing some kind of leaflets to her every month. [redacted] stated that she called the organization on the telephone and told them to take her name off of the mailing lists, but they would not agree to her demand. She stated that she then went to the City Attorney's office and had someone phone the organization, at which time the organization did remove her name from the mailing list. Informant states that the booklet above mentioned is called, "ONE". The original copy is brought in by the owner of the CALIFORNIA MARKET & SKETCH PRESS, 232 S. Hill St., MU 7716. The negatives and plates are made at the TRIAD COMPANY. They are then returned to the California Market & Sketch Press for printing and distribution. Informant states that as of May 25, 1953, the second printing, or the second booklet of "ONE" is being printed. (Note: See Pages 6, 7, 8, & 9 of this report for complete rundown of the California Market & Sketch Press).

On July 24, 1953, a leaflet, (circular letter) was mailed, advertising that members and friends of the Mattachine Society are going to meet at the Red Cross Blood Center, 1130 S. Vermont, to donate blood in the name of the Mattachine Society. This letter was signed by Marilyn P. RIEGER, Chairman of the blood bank program of the Mattachine Society. The letter advises blood donors to contact either PR 2155 or HO 56738 for appointment. Investigation discloses that PR 2155 is the telephone number of the Pacific Athletic Company, and HO 56738 is the unpublished confidential telephone number [redacted]

Los Angeles County Clerk of the Court Fictitious Firm Name File #126-134, reveals that on January 17, 1947, the PACIFIC ATHLETIC COMPANY filed an affidavit stating they would conduct a business at 1221 S. Wall St., and the firm would consist of IRVING CHALFIN, 3863 Woolwine Drive, Los Angeles 33, and WILLIAM EDELSTEIN, 765 McCarthy Vista, Los Angeles 35. The L.A. DAILY JOURNAL, a legal newspaper printed in Los Angeles, published an ad on January 20 - 27, Feb. 3 - 10, 1947, revealing the above fact.

Los Angeles County Clerk of the Court Fictitious Firm Name File, #61284, reveals that on April 26, 1935 the FELT NOVELTY MANUFACTURING CO. would conduct a business at 1240 S. Main St., and consisted of IRVING CHALFIN, 2836½ Blanchard St., L.A., and WILLIAM EDELSTEIN, 2812 Somerset Drive, L.A. On April 27, Mary 4, 11, 18, 1935, an ad appeared in the L.A. NEWS, a legal newspaper, advertising the above facts.

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Investigation at 1221 Wall St. reveals that the PACIFIC ATHLETIC COMPANY and the FELT NOVELTY COMPANY both occupy the 2nd floor of the Left Bldg., at above address. The PACIFIC ATHLETIC COMPANY are manufacturers of athletic clothing and fancy sweaters.

The 1942 City Directory disclosed:

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The 1941 City Directory disclosed:

The 1940 City Directory disclosed:

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The files of the Los Angeles Bureau of Vital Statistics, Marriage License Division, Book #1604, Page 266, disclosed:

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The files of the Los Angeles Bureau of Vital Statistics, Marriage License Division, Book #1526, Page 243, disclosed:

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See attached letter mentioned above, (EXHIBIT #7).

On March 11, 1953, a stenciled letter with the heading, "The Mattachine Foundation, Inc; P.O. Box 2833, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles, Calif.", was sent to Candidates for Mayor, City Council and Board of Supervisors, stating as follows:

"The Mattachine Foundation is a non-partisan service council devoted to the social objective of integrating with the purposes and requirements of our community the enormous potential of valuable civic contributiveness and concern of such ill-understood social minorities as the homosexuals. If only a conservative percentage of Dr. Alfred Kinsey's testimony before the 1951 California

State Legislature's Interim Committee is conceded there are at least 150,000 such persons in the Los Angeles area alone. Though the Foundation's policy strictly limits the Council's position to that of non-partisan editorship on any issue, it welcomes any opportunity to disseminate as many variant and/or opposing partisan opinions as can be engendered. It is fully confident that the wider the forum on any controversy, the more constructive the Community's resolution of that issue."

"There is a growing body of evidence to indicate that the Los Angeles Police are assigned to deliberate practices, with regard to the Homosexual Minority, which in Federal, State and Municipal Courts, other than those of the Los Angeles area, are considered explicitly unlawful. Quota assignments, decoys detailed specifically to entrap, invasions of privacy by fraudulent means, searches-seizures-and arrests without due process of law, arraignments handled in coercive and unconstitutional procedures,-even though they are harassments aimed at a Minority who can be counted on to hide these civil infractions at all costs, - such illegalities also can be characterised as corrosive factors not only in police administration, but as factors conducive to further corruptions within the general administration as well."

"In the best public interests of the Community at large, as well as in the best interests of the 150,000 Homosexuals pertinently concerned, The Mattachine Foundation invites your expression on these matters. As a candidate for a public office whose duties include responsibility for the further growth of the Community's social health, what are your opinions on the following issues?"

1. Do you favor the continuance of the quota assignments currently issued to members of the Vice Squad Detail?

NO YES

(give reason) _____

2. Do you favor the continuance of the practice of planting decoys for the purposes of entrapment? NO YES

(Give reason) _____

3. Do you favor the confiscation of address books and telephone memos in such cases? NO YES

(Give reason) _____

4. Do you favor arrests of this nature without issuance of duly certified warrants? NO YES

(Give reason) _____

5. Do you favor Police Court Arraignments wherein, in disregard of the procedures detailed in the California State Law, persons are commanded to plead to charges which are neither read, nor prepared by the City Attorney's Office, nor attested to by representatives of the Community? NO YES

(Give reason) _____

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6. If elected, what policies might you be expected to propose in regard to these matters?

7. If you are unfamiliar with any of the items indicated above, upon being elected what might you be expected to do in these matters?

The Foundation wishes to assure you that any opinions which you present will be published exactly as they were queried above ~~as~~ as you answered them.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration of these issues, we are

Yours very truly,

The Mattachine Foundation, Inc.".

See attached copy of above letter, (EXHIBIT #8).

Quoting from a newspaper clipping from the "Mirror", Los Angeles, of Thurs., March 22, 1953, written by Paul V. COATES, the article states that the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC., name was derived from the SOCIETE DES MATTACHINES, a troupe of jesters in medieval France who fought for civil reforms. Article also discusses the above letter (Exhibit #8), stating that the Foundation hints that this group potentially will have the support of the 150,000 to 200,000 homosexuals in this area. See newspaper clipping, EXHIBIT # 9.

In May 1953 publication of "ONE", the editorial board is listed as follows:

BLOCK, Martin JENNINGS, Dale, SLATER, Don.

Contributing Editor: CORY, Donald Webster
Business Manager: LAMBERT, William
Circulation Mgr.: ROUDSEAU, Guy

On March 21, 1953, The Mattachine Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 2833, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles 54, Calif. mailed a letter to an informant, with the signature of [redacted]
[redacted] of the Mattachine Foundation, Inc.

The files of the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters disclosed:

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See above letter, EXHIBIT #10.

In the September 1953 publication of "ONE", page 16, an editor's note reads as follows:

"A confusion, evidently in the letters we receive, makes it necessary again to make clear the relationship of "ONE" and the MATTACHINE SOCIETY. These are two entirely separate corporations which function independently. While they naturally share basic principles, their differences as a society and a magazine are clear in both type of activity and manner of approach. "ONE" hardly commands the work the Society and hopes the feeling is mutual, but insists upon being recognized as a separate entity."

In regard to the above, regarding the separation of the publication, "ONE" and the Mattachine Society, Inc., it is to be noted that the publication "ONE", started publishing shortly after the Articles of Incorporation were filed for the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC. Confidential and reliable information discloses that the publication "ONE" is a part of the Mattachine Foundation, Inc., although both have filed separate Articles of Incorporation.

In the April 1953 issue of "ONE", page 17, the following insert appears:

"The Mattachine Foundation requests the following be made clear. At no time on the elections for Mayor of Los Angeles, has a candidate for that office been invited to speak at any Foundation function, nor has any candidate for Mayor been endorsed by the Foundation. In a campaign where hollow promises have been shouted loudly, the earnest voter can hardly take stock in those which are whispered behind the hand. The Foundation endorses neither of the gentlemen in question for the plain reason that neither has taken a public stand on the issues brought up by that organization in its recent questionnaire to political contestants. Their silence is not golden."

See issues of publication "ONE", filed in publications file, (alphabetically).

In the April 1953 issue of "ONE", page 5, the following article appears, "Are You Now or Have You Ever Been a Homosexual?". This article lists a report made to the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, and was approved and adopted by this foundation in April, 1953. This article states that "the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION idea was conceived only with the Right, in the substance of the State Department actions, followed suit, some ten years later." "It is in this vein that we must reveal the questions and issues concerning Mrs. SNIDER'S relationship with the foundation. The Foundation met and learned to know Mr. Snider as an honest fighting, lawyer who had handled with great sympathy, an acute social understanding, a number of cases of attempted entrapment. The foundation also learned that Mr. Snider

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had carried through a number of fighter cases for the several minority groups who also SUFFER UNDER THE BURDEN OF FALSE ARRESTS AND POLICE PRO-VOCATIONS. Mr. Snider devoted an enormous amount of time and advice to set up the protections of the foundations structure. One can hardly say that he exercised undue subversion in recommending that the foundation render itself unable to participate in any type of political or partisan activity whatsoever and, futher, that the foundation in it's by-laws render itself unable to be used by any group or individual for any political or partisan issue what so ever. It is true that Mr. Snider refused to answer the Un-American Activities Committee under his immunities guaranteed by the 5th Amendment as a leader in the court fights for the simple civil rights of the Mexican-American and the Negro people as versus unwarranted Police suppression in this City, it was inevitable that he would have been submitted to the question. His waiver of principle of ~~truth~~ could have been to betray, then, now and in the future, his sacred role of counsel and confidante, similar with lawyers to the sacred immunity of sanctity traditionally accorded to the confidences of ministers and recently to Doctors and Psychiatrists. How would you feel about placing your trust in a lawyer who had spilled his guts concerning himself, his friends, and his clients? Could you talk to a Psychiatrists or to a minister who had had a little respect for his role as a Community counselor, as to jeopardize his rights to hold privately his own opinion. Whatever the press innuendos may be at this invocation, all that Mr. Snider has done is to reassert his pride and his faith in that most precious of American contributions to humanity: A man's rights to the privacy of his own social conscience. He has simply requested his rights to be considered innocent until proven guilty beyond all possibility of doubt, even as Mr. SHIRLEY, last summer requested that DALE JENNINGS, as a homosexual, be so considered innocent of permanent lewdness by the jury until unmistakably proven otherwise."

In the September, 1953 issue of "ONE", Page 2-3, an article lists statements on the September issue of "MR.", which has a lengthy article called, "Are Communists Homosexuals?" This article states that the thinking behind the article in "MR." is Communists are bad, homosexuals are bad, therefore Communists are homosexuals. This article states, "We live in the age of McCarthyism, and to question even the logic of anti-communists or anti-homosexual arguments is to commit treason." "For those interested in facts instead of hysterical outbursts, the Communist Party of the U.S.A., provides in it's constitution that no individual who engages in sexual perversions is eligible for membership. This cannot be brushed aside with the argument that Communists aren't to be trusted anyway, and that their constitution has no relation to their practices." This article goes on to state, Referring to the article in "MR.", "It is unlikely that any of these articles equating the twin evils of Communism and Homosexuality would have much influence on the thinking of our people, but this of course was not their point. The writers and editors of such propaganda as appeared in "MR." have found that by tying these two unrelated horrors they are in a uniquely satisfying position. They can promote the fashionable anti-red hysteria by claiming left political activity to be a sign of sexual perversion and neurosis. They can present their rotten propaganda with which the public has grown bored in sugar-coated doses by the trick of combining it with the most 'wicked' and simultaneously the titillating of sexual deviations. Adlai Stevenson recently commented in Paris that McCarthyism in the U.S. of 1953 might be compared to Hitlerism in Germany in 1933. Have we so soon forgotten that Hitler, in making the world safe for Fascism by pledging to destroy Communism, found it expedient to destroy several Jews, trade unionists, catholics and homosexuals."

In the October, 1953 issue of "ONE", Page 19, the following article appears. "The Los Angeles Times came out with some curious data, 8-23-53, the story began, 'For the first time in the History of Los Angeles, a class of 40 cadets at the Police Academy has submitted to Psychiatric tests to determine emotional fitness for service'. It goes on to mention that the tests were initiated after charges were made that a quarter of the nation's Police are emotional hazards to public safety. The results of the tests were shocking. Six of the cadets were recommended to immediate termination as either Psychopaths or suffering extreme emotional instability. Thirteen others should be watched closely, the report stated, to determine whether they are safe risks or not. Thirteen plus six equals nineteen, and nineteen is so close to being 50% of 40, that there is no need to calculate the exact figures."

On Page 21 of the same issue of "ONE", an article appears which reads as follows: "Another interesting rumor runs to the effect that the Los Angeles Police Dept. or the F.B.I. (this story is confused as usual) have questioned a supplier of the magazine on it's personnel, purposes, contents and anything else they might know. Naturally this drilling scared the suppliers sick, and, as a direct result, the magazine is dealing with another firm. This might be called intimidation, or foolishness. An inquiry is now in the mail asking the Chief of Police the purpose of this subversive police activity--if it really happened. The suppliers swear that it did."

On the back of the cover page of this same issue, in reference to pen names used in the issues of "ONE", the following appears. "The editors have received letters and articles from all over the world, and have faithfully respected the ~~fact~~ anonymity of each writer in an effort to maintain "ONE" as the only means of expression to literally millions of deviants in America, and a literary companion to similar publications in other parts of the world."

In the November, 1953 issue of "ONE", Page 9, the following article appears. "The officers of the MATTACHINE SOCIETY have conferred on "ONE" magazine an honorary membership award for it's fine contribution to the aims and purposes for which the Mattachine Society was formed. 'We hold your magazine in high esteem for it's fine publication, it's courageous articles and frank expression on one of the most controversial subjects today.' The award will be presented at the general convention banquet, 15 November 1953 in Los Angeles." (Note: An investigation was conducted to try to find the address that the above convention was to be held, but was unable to locate this convention).

In the November, 1953 issue of "ONE", page 23, an advertisement states that ONE, Inc. has now moved to it's new offices at 232 S. Hill St. Investigation discloses that ONE, Inc., is occupying Room 326 at 232 S. Hill St. It was also noted that the CALIFORNIA MARKET & SKETCH PRESS occupies Room 327 at 232 S. Hill St. The California Market & Sketch Press, as noted on page 14 of this report prints and distributes the publication, "ONE".

EXHIBIT #1 Photostat of [redacted]

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EXHIBIT #2 Photostat of [redacted]

EXHIBIT #3 Photostat of Articles of Incorporation of THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC., filed April 27, 1953 with Secy. of State.

EXHIBIT #4 Photostat of [redacted] Also PHOTO-
GRAPHS of [redacted]

EXHIBIT #5 Circular letter, bearing heading, "ONE", Incorporated, P.O. Box 5716, Los Angeles 55, Calif., signed by William LAMBERT.

EXHIBIT #6 Photostat of [redacted]

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EXHIBIT #7 Circular letter, dated July 24, 1953, signed by Marilyn P. RIEGER, Chairman of Blood Bank Program, Mattachine Society, regarding Mattachine members giving blood to Red Cross en masse. Attached is card, also reminder of date of blood donation.

EXHIBIT #8 Circular letter from the Mattachine Foundation, Inc., to Candidates for Mayor, City Council & Board of Supervisors, regarding the candidates opinions re arrests of homosexuals, arraignments, etc.

EXHIBIT #9 Newspaper clipping from the "MIRROR", March 12, 1953 issue, of an article by Paul V. COATES, regarding the Mattachine Foundation.

EXHIBIT #10 Letter from The Mattachine Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 2633, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles 54, signed by David L. FREEMAN, dated March 21, 1953.

Photostat of leaflet entitled, "Are You Left-Handed?", issued by The Mattachine Foundation, Inc.; an introduction to the Mattachine Foundation, and its purposes, etc., dated Dec. 1, 1952.

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TO : SAC

DATE: January 7, 1953

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FROM : [REDACTED] SA

SUBJECT: Mattachine Society

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On January 6, 1954 [REDACTED] orally advised SA [REDACTED] [REDACTED] that she had information from a neighbor whom she believed reliable that a meeting of captioned organization was secheduled for the evening of January 6, 1954 at 4245 - 5th. Street, Long Beach, California. Informant advised that this information was given to her anonymously over the telephone on this date.

The current Long Beach City directory lists a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] No occupation is listed.

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TO : SAC

DATE: January 8, 1954

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SUBJECT: MATTACHINE SOCIETY

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On January 7, 1954 [REDACTED]

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b7C [REDACTED] furnished SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] with some names, addresses and other data per-
taining to subject organization which she had taken from
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The notes are as follows:

Astroligical Research Group
629½ N. Manhattan PlaceChapter 102
Lesbian Psychological Study
424 N. Coronada St., Apt. 100
Dec. 30, Nov. 4. (1953)Chap. 106
Topic: "Are Homosexuals Different"b6
b7C Letter from PO Box 1925 LA, signed [REDACTED]
Research Chapter 104, Letter head also carries
Post Office Box No. 851, Oakland 4.

Jan. 6, 4245 E 5th., St., Long Beach - phone message.

Legal Research Chapter 40
6026 Barton Way, Hollywood

Legal Chapter 103

Jan. 13 "Discussion - Kinsey's Sex Behavior of the
Human Female

LB PO Box 1232, 135 D Temple Street

PO Box 2833 Terminal Annex, LA

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Initiation receipt signed by [REDACTED]

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8/12/53 to [REDACTED]

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MATTACHINE SOCIETY
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QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Birthdate: Height: Weight:

2. Male: Female: Health: Good Fair Poor

3. Birthplace:

4. National ancestry: Race:

5. Do you live with: Parents? Alone? If not with parents or alone, explain:

6. Is your father: Living? Divorced? Re-married?
Is your mother: Living? Divorced? Remarried?

7. Parents profession(s): Annual income?

8. Size of immediate family: Brothers? Sisters?

9. Parents' schooling: Father? Mother?

10. Do you feel that you had a happy childhood?

11. What is your general attitude toward members of your family?

12. Do you think your family is aware of your sexual inclinations?

13. Are any relatives homosexual to your knowledge?

14. Is your social life exclusively: Heterosexual? Homosexual?

15. Are you heterosexually: Married? Divorced? Widowed?

16. Are you homosexually: Married? Divorced? Widowed?

17. What is your income: Weekly? Annual?

18. What is your profession?

19. How many jobs have you held during the last three years?

20. Have you ever been discharged for homosexuality?

21. What is your religious affiliation? Are you active?

22. Schooling (years): Grammer? High School? College?

23. In which organizations are you currently active?

24. Are you a registered voter?

25. Do you carry insurance, if so what kind?

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26. Are you actively: Hetrosexual? Homosexual? Bi-sexual?
27. Age you became aware of being: Homosexual? Bi-sexual?
28. Age of first sexual experience: Hetrosexual? Homosexual?
29. Have you been arrested on a morals offence?
30. Have you ever wished to change your present sexual drive?
31. To what kind of person are you attracted?
32. By what type of person are you repelled?
33. How do you define a successful homosexual marriage?
34. Is homosexual marriage preferable to promiscuity?
If so, why?
35. How many sexual relations have you had: Male? Female?
36. In how many of these would you have liked permanency?
37. Number of above you consider equivalent to marriage?
38. Is complete fidelity necessary to homosexual marriage?
39. Importance of sex in homosexual marriage?
40. Would you marry hetrosexually for children and/or security?
41. Would you consider yourself a happy, successful individual?
42. Do you resent above questions? If so, which one(s)?
43. Are these questionnaires effective in "feeling the pulse" of the homosexual?

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Newsletter Southern Area Council

OCTOBER 1, 1953

SOMETHING NEW TO BE ADDED

DON HILL

A new chapter and its associated group is being organized for people who feel that they have attained everything they want from the other groups and are ready for something new; a place where they can do something. Undoubtedly, it will not be the answer to every dissatisfied member, but for many others it will just fill the bill.

The new chapter-to-be is extending an invitation to all those with a curiosity or interest in this subject to "come and be amazed." Those who have problems will be given an opportunity to develop a knowledge of astrology with which they will be able to help themselves out of their difficulties and worries.

Dates and locations of meetings will be announced at discussion groups. These will be held on such nights as thinking will tend to be especially stimulated, and consequently may vary the day of the week from meeting to meeting.

Studies, discussions, and statistical research will help provide answers to such questions as those...

Can one or should one try to overcome homosexuality? Why are some homosexuals so lucky in meeting new dates? How should one choose a marriage partner? Are homosexuals as a whole untrustworthy? Are homosexuals poor job risks? Are homosexuals mentally ill? Why are some homosexuals masculine and others feminine? Are all people possible homosexuals?

SOMETHING OLD NOT TO BE TAKEN AWAY

DALE JENNINGS

All homosexuals were victorious recently when postal authorities in Washington and Los Angeles handed down a decision that magazine ONE is acceptable for mailing. This actually is more historic than appears on the surface. Never before has so large a federal agency conceded that even a publication discussing with propriety such an "unnatural" segment of the population is unprecedented.

Without notification of any kind, the Post Office held up the local mailing of ONE on the second of September. It was not until the attorney for the magazine contacted the POST OFFICE that ONE's editors found it was suspected of illegal activities. However no one could specify exactly the charges, suspicions or nature of the investigation. As yet this information is not available in spite of the fact that all copies were released and future mailing was officially authorized on September 18.

In the meantime a flood of letters deluged the offices of ONE complaining of both and magazine and postal inefficiency. There were cancellations out of anger as well as panic. However when the announcement was made that ONE was passed by Federal authority, hundreds of letters and wires of congratulation were received by the editors. Within the first week after notification, subscriptions rose eleven percent. And this is only locally for the magazine has not yet had the opportunity to print the story.

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY

Preamble

WE, the members of the Mattachine Society, in full awareness of our social obligations as members of the human community, hold it necessary that a highly ethical homosexual culture be integrated into society; and, whereas the present laws of many lands are discriminatory and limit the best expression of the culture; and, whereas we are resolved that these people shall find equality; and, whereas we desire to spread knowledge of the aims and aspirations of this society through mutual education of its membership and of society,

WE, therefore, hereby resolve:

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY

ARTICLE I:

- Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the Mattachine Society.
- Section 2: The society shall be comprised of persons who are duly initiated members of a chartered chapter.
- Section 3: Members shall be admitted regardless of race, color, or creed.
- Section 4: No provision shall be made to destroy the anonymity of any member without his permission.

ARTICLE II:

- Section 1: The General Convention shall be the supreme governing body of the organization.
- Section 2a: The General Convention shall be composed of all officers elected by the previous convention and delegates from each chapter.
- Section 2b: Guests of the convention may be invited only at the discretion of the Coordinating Council.
- Section 3a: The General Convention shall elect a chairman, two vice - Chairmen, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and Chairmen of the Standing Committees.
- Section 3b: The General Convention shall elect a convention chairman who shall preside until the election of permanent officers for the following year.
- Section 4: The General Convention shall have the following Standing Committees: Research, Legislative, and Publications.
- Section 5a: Voting in Convention shall be on the following basis: each chapter shall have one vote for every five (5) members, but each chapter shall have at least one (1) vote.
- Section 5b: Each chapter may divide its votes on a numerical basis to increase delegate participation.
- Section 5c: The members of the convention as provided by Article II, Section 2a shall have one vote each. No officer as provided by Article II, Section 2a shall serve as a Chapter delegate.
- Section 6: The General Convention shall retain the power to permanently grant and revoke Chapter Charters.
- Section 7: The General Convention shall have the power to levy dues.

ARTICLE III:

- Section 1a: The Coordinating Council shall be composed of the Officers elected by the General Convention, the Chairmen of the Area Councils, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.
- Section 1b: The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer of the General Convention shall be the Executive Secretary, Vice - Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Coordinating Council.
- Section 2a: The coordinating Council shall correlate and coordinate reports and activities of all Area Councils.
- Section 2b: The Coordinating Council shall record Chapter affiliations within Area Councils.
- Section 2c: The Coordinating Council shall call the Semi-annual Convention.
- Section 2d: The Coordinating Council shall meet not less than once every three (3) months.

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ARTICLE IV:

- Section 1: Each Area Council shall include at least one (1) delegate from each Chapter within the Area. Beyond this, each Area Council shall determine its own composition and structure.
- Section 2: The Treasurer or comparable officer shall file a quarterly financial report with the Coordinating Council.
- Section 3a: The Area Council shall act upon all legal problems affecting the general membership within its area.
- Section 3b: The Area Council shall be responsible for Area Legal Aid, Education, Public Relations, Publications and may establish necessary committees.
- Section 3c: The Area Council shall temporarily grant Chapter Charters pending ratification by the General Convention.
- Section 3d: The Area Council may temporarily suspend Chapter Charters subject to ratification by the General Convention.
- Section 3e: In the event of a revocation of a Chapter Charter by the General Convention the Treasury of the Chapter shall revert to the Treasury of the Area Council.
- Section 3f: In the event of the temporary revocation of a Chapter Charter The Chapter Treasury shall be held in trust by the Treasurer of the Area Council pending the decision of the next General Convention.
- Section 3g: The Area Council(s) shall meet not less than once a month.
- Section 3h: The Area Councils may, by joint resolution, call such General Conventions as may be required.

ARTICLE V:

- Section 1: A Chapter shall consist of not less than four (4) duly initiated members.
- Section 2a: Each chapter shall elect a Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer.
- Section 2b: The treasurer shall send a quarterly financial report to the Area Council.
- Section 3: The Chapter shall have full autonomy within the limits of the Preamble and the Constitution.
- Section 4: The Chapter shall have regularly scheduled meetings.
- Section 5: Election and Expulsion of members shall be determined by the Chapter within the limits of the constitution.

ARTICLE VI: The Constitution may be amended at any General Convention by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Convention.

May 24, 1953
Los Angeles, California

RESOLUTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED that an amount of not less than \$2.00 per month shall be collected from each duly initiated member, and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all monies collected or donated for a given purpose shall be turned over by the collecting agent to the Treasurer of the Coordinating Council for proper disbursement unless notification of such collections and disbursements can be handled in due course by the responsible Chapter or Area Council, and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any other money collected by the Chapter be turned over to the Treasury to be divided with the membership dues on the following percentage basis:

50% to the Chapter
40% to the Area Council
10% to the Coordinating Council

WHEREAS This organization is neither political nor sectarian, and Whereas we believe that our group can only achieve the social integration which it seeks within the framework of a free society: and Whereas we find it especially significant that the most brutal and restrictive laws against homosexuality occur in those countries, like Russia, where freedom of the individual is most severely limited; and Whereas those who attack the basic freedom of the individual in this country, both of the extreme right and the extreme left, have been the most bitter enemies of the homosexual, WE, THEREFORE, RESOLVE to pledge ourselves to fight racial, religious, and sexual discrimination within and outside the organization.

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Dear [redacted]

We are in receipt of your letter dated November 8. We have been in the woes of re-organizing our officers, and we wish to apologize for the delinquent answer to your interesting letter.

As a new secretary, I will try to do my best to describe to you the various interesting aspects of our Research projects which we lately have engaged in.

First to your question about "Lesbian Psychology Study" discussion meeting. It is indeed interesting and I am sorry that you were not able to make it because it was informative and stimulating.

There were thirteen present, six being women. Three of the persons formed a committee, presented the results of their labours, which was a scholarly, and intense questionnaire especially designed for Lesbians, but which with some slight changes could be used for male homosexuals as well.

The questionnaire was large and covered about three pages. It contained questions covering almost every field of human behaviour, and took specific detailed account of the persons family-background and psychological aspects in his childhood.

The members and friends present looked it over and accepted it with some small changes. We are now planning a method of distributing these questionnaires in the most effective manner, and it was thought that a group, with some one there to advise on the most difficult questions would be the most effective method.

This is only one small aspect of our many and varied activities and future projects. We are now planning a Bibliographical File which would list articles and books of particular interest to the diviate. We are also compiling a list of physicians, psychiatrists, et al. which would be able to help us and assist in any way possible.

Besides the aforementioned projects which is going to take much time and interest, we have many other ideas, which we hope later will ripen to constructive maturity.

We are getting together with members of the Legal Committee (of Legal Chapter # 103) for the purpose of compiling a list of persons having had personal contact with the Law enforcement agencies. Dr. Kinsey has requested us to do this so that we may be able to help him in this on his present interviews for his study on Sex and Law. We are happy to be able to help him in this manner, and hope that such future collaboration may prove mutually profitable.

We are indeed desirous of contacting other Research Chapters, or Chapters engaged or interested in Research projects, and we hope that a greater degree of inter-relationships may be evident in our Chapter activities. We are positive that all of us have different talents which would prove of inspiration and benefit to all of us. We are interested in the Long Beach Chapters remarkable progress, and believe that this alone evidences a admirable degree of interest and responsibility on

the part of its members and officers. We in the research Chapter hope we may be able to contact you, maybe have a mutual meeting sometime, which would combine our forces to a degree, and get acquainted with one another, our peeves and talents.

We have no meetings on Weekends, sometimes, because of the great degree of the work required we have called special meetings for the Research Committee (i.e. Research Chapter) so that we may be able to get some of the behind-the -scene work done. However as a personal note I might mention that we are planning a series of Breakfast which would be beneficial to all of the Chapters of this area in the South ern Area, to be held and sponsored by the various Chapters of this Area. An attempt at this was made two weeks ago by the Public Relations Chapter, ~~purely social~~ and proved to be an unexpected success. At this meeting, besides the purely social aspects, many members get together and discuss the different activities of the various chapters. This, I believe, is a splendid opportunity for the members of the Society as a whole.

We have three meetings outlined thus far. These will be announced in Newsheet, but for your convenience I will repeat them here.

December 16, 1953 " Legal Research 6026 Barton Way, Hollywood.

December 30th, 1953 " Breakdown Report of the first General Questionnaire"

424 North Coronado, Los Angeles.

January 13, 1954 " Discussion of Dr. Kinsey's Sexual Behavior of the Human Female."

You are of course cordially invited to these meetings and we hope that you will continue to write us and visit us that we may be enjoy of your knowledge and interest.

Yours sincerely,

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NEWSLETTER

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STATE HEALTH DEPT. INQUIRY

During the past few weeks, the Society has been in contact with the State of Calif, Dept. of Public Health, in an effort to help alleviate the problem of venereal disease among sex variants in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

The Coordinating Council enlists the support of every member in the Society, in this worthy project, for the benefit of all society.

Section 2636 of the California Administrative code states : Reports of examinations, cases, investigations and all records thereof made under the regulations for the control of venereal diseases shall be confidential and not open to public inspection and no part thereof divulged, except as may be necessary for the preservation of the public health. In all our conversations with the dept., this has been stressed. The dept. is not interested in law enforcement, but in health. It is not interested in sex problems of individuals, or in the individual himself, but in the treatment and cure of communicable disease.

THE COMMITTEE FOR THIS PROJECT IS IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

LESBIAN RESEARCH PROGRAM

One of the current research projects is the " LESBIAN RESEARCH PROGRAM " The Research chapter # 104 is working in liaison with three psychologists, who are assimilating data for several clinical reports. Material for these reports is being obtained by presenting the --

* well known "INK BLOT" test and a * psychological interview to each * pair of applicants. The girls who * volunteer are taken in pairs, com- * plete anonymity being maintained * in each case. Each test session * is approximately three hours in * length. Girls who have taken the examination, in almost every instance * have been favorably impressed and * feel their time well spent. They * were particularly affected by the * opportunity to take part in the * activity designed to better acquaint society with their capabilities.

* The psychologists have volunteered their time specifically because they feel research in this field has been so far limited to penal and mental institutions, or delved into by persons who already have formed opinions. They definitely intend to keep this study objective and feel more accurate results will be obtained from a truly representative groups of subjects.

* The Mattachine Society is assisting in this project and is cooperating in every way, as it is felt there is an opportunity for us to show appreciation to those professional people willing to expend their time.

* Arrangements can be made to schedule those who recognize the opportunity it offers. Persons wishing information can phone VAndyke 1221 and ask for MATTACHINE, Research Dept.

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 * THE INTERNATIONAL POST --- PP -7
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Blood Bank Party /

Public Relations Committee of the Southern Area Council announced yesterday the date for the Society Blood Bank Party. Adopted as a project of the Society, the program of obtaining blood donations for the HEMOPHILIAC FUND is in progress again. Briefly, the plan is to establish a regular program of blood donations. This, the second party held by the Society in this area, promises to be the biggest ever. Of the 27 pints donated before only 1 has been used. The committee needs 50 pints of blood in its account to cover any emergency. Beyond this reserve, all blood donated will be turned over to the Hemophiliac Fund. It requires 1 pint of blood every 30 days for 1 child. Hemophilia, a condition which results in excessive bleeding from the slightest scratch or cut. Because the blood lacks the normal amount of coagulant. One cut may require as much as 4 or 5 pints of blood before the bleeding is stopped. The Society plans to donate 7 to 10 pints of blood per month to the Hemophiliac Fund. WE NEED YOUR BLOOD. Our reserve account is for the use of members and friends of the Society. It may be used by you at any time. It's simple, Call VAndyke 1221 and give the name of the patient, Room number and hospital. The Society will release the blood to you. We only ask that you or your friends replace the amount used from the account. THIS IS YOUR INSURANCE AGAINST THE ACCIDENT THAT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU. no charge is made for this service. ITS FOR FREE ! Persons willing to aid this worthwhile community project Please see us at

BLOOD DONER CENTER
1130 SOUTH VERNON
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 12, 1954 7 PM

FEBRUARY IS

Mattachine Membership Month

Drive ends March 1, 1954

Help Mattachine achieve its goal of a double membership in each chapter.

That's Fine, (but what can I do?) The answer is simple. there's a lot you can do, for instance, You can attend one of our discussion groups. See for yourself what the Society is like, Learn the Truth, first handed. Tell your friends and bring them too.

If you would like to become a member of the Society and participate in its program by helping on committees or projects or just by lending moral support.

(the dues aren't much) Then discuss it with a Society member or direct your inquiry to the attention of the Society (at the P.O. Box)

If 4 or more of your friends and yourself would like to start a discussion group of your own then discuss this with the Society.

THE MATTACHINE HAS EMBARKED ON A SERIOUS PROGRAM OF RESEARCH AND STUDY ON A VITAL PROBLEM. YOUR INTEREST AND SUPPORT ARE NEEDED. AN INVITATION FOR YOU TO BECOME A MEMBER, IS HEREBY EXTENDED.

YOU MAY WRITE TO THE
MATTACHINE SOCIETY.

P.O BOX 1925
LOS ANGELES - 53 - CALIFORNIA
OR PHONE VA ndyke 1221

To assist the Society to achieve its goals. A prize is being offered to the present society member through who's individual efforts bring the most members into the Society during that period between February 1 and March 1. The Award will be presented at the first meeting of the Area Council in March. The Prize ?

Paid up Membership for 1/2 year.

CABBAGES AND KINGS

PUBLICATIONS POLICY FOR 1954

1. Letterhead to be lithographed
2. Views and opinions expressed herein are not necessarily those of the Society or the Editors.
3. Construction :
 - a. Front page Society Business only
 - b. 2nd page Editorial page
 - c. 3rd page Social : Book Reviews and gossip column.
4. Business and Chapter news must be submitted two weeks in advance or it will be omitted.
5. Any social notices must be submitted two weeks in advance
6. Deadline for articles will be the last monday of each month.
7. Articles submitted must be typewritten 40 spaces in width.
8. All articles are subject to editing by the editorial staff, Rewrite and deletion of articles are to be done at the discretion of the editorial staff
9. Authors name will be published as designated.
10. Anonymity will be totally respected
11. Newsletter is open to anyone wishing to express their constructive opinion

The new policy for the Area Council Publication was adopted at the Area Council meeting of December 1st, 1953. It is the desire of the Publications Committee that any and all news of benefit or interest to the Society be printed. We, of the Committee, want it understood that any constructive criticism will be reprinted for the general enlightenment of the Society. Names will never be used or required on articles submitted for publication. This is a Newsletter for the good of the entire membership of the Mattachine Society. Our columns are open to all members and other who have the best interest of the Mattachine Society. We are interested in your views, Give them to your delegate to Area Council or mail to Box 1925 Los Angeles 45. We Repeat, Our interest and yours is in constructive criticism that is of interest and benefit to the whole society. Let's all get behind this publication, IT'S MATTACHINE'S VOICE TO THE WORLD.

VISIT A DISCUSSION GROUP TONIGHT!
read ON THE TOWN WITH MATTACHINE

Apologies to our members for not having the letterhead lithographed for this issue. Confusion was rampant during the holidays with social and society activities of the members of the committee of this publication. Everyone we spoke with had a very merry Christman. Research Chapter # 104 had a nice christmas party combined with its discussion group. It was very pleasant and informal. Chapter 102 is reported to have done the same.

The benefit breakfast given at 6026 Barton ave. Jan. 3 was quite sucessful. I understand a profit from this affair is expected. Imagine these affairs realizing profits for the Society, and the direct result of the work of only two people. (if there were only two more people on that committee) You can volunteer for this committee by Calling Phil or Ralph at Cleveland 69582 apt 205. One of our most active members has announced to his chapter, his resignation. May we say PLEASE RECONSIDER!

The Society needs more members like you to join this great movement.

Your writer greeted the new year in Long Beach with several members of the Long Beach Chapter. A good time was had by all. We should build closer contact with our friends in the coastal area. It would be a nice gesture if members in the Los Angeles area would plan to attend discussion groups sponsored by the Long Beach Chapter.

ATTENTION, FRIENDS IN BURBANK, TUJUNGA, GLENDALE AND NEAR HOLLYWOOD. A new discussion group is being formed in Glendale, the first meeting will be at 1154 Viola Ave. January 15, 1954 at 8:00 PM For Directions PHONE Citrus 41305 anytime after 6:00 PM ask for Jo or Martha. Don't forget any news or announcements must be in to the Publications Committee at least 1 week before publication date (1st of each month) This is your publication Its the news reproduced for you and your members.

• "THE HIDDEN PROBLEM"

(as quoted from "Time", Dec. 28) Every day hundreds of U.S. parents are faced with a problem which few of them know how to tackle: a son (more rarely, a daughter) who shows more interest in his own than in the opposite sex. Such cases are commonest in families that have been disrupted by the death of one parent, by divorce or separation, or by constant bickering between husband and wife. But they are also found, and all too often, in families that consider themselves normal in every way. Then parents scourge themselves with the question: "What did we do wrong?"

Some parents berate the boy more than themselves. Last week, when Harlow Fraden was indicted for the cocktail murder of his parents in The Bronx, he was quoted as saying that he had killed them because "his mother called him a 'fairy.'"

Though homosexuality may have its origin in early childhood, it is generally not until the beginning of adolescence that a boy gives overt signs of it. At this stage, responsibility lies most heavily upon the parents. They need to know that in every human personality there are both masculine and feminine traits, and that puberty, being a time of great stress and adjustment, is also a time for experimentation.

The startling statistic compiled by Zoologist Alfred C. Kinsey that 50% of U. S. males have some homosexual contact in their lives does not prove them sexually abnormal. In the great majority of cases, the contact is slight and limited to one or a few occasions during childish exploration in a strange, new world. Parents who recognize this will not make the mistake of exaggerating the importance of the event. Then, most likely, the fancy will pass without more ado.

The real problem of male homo-

sexuality involves boys who show no sign of growing out of it naturally. Partly because of strong social prejudices, partly because the topic was so long under a strict taboo, ignorance about it is almost universal. What are its causes? Can it be cured? If so, how? On these key questions, leading U. S. psychiatrists and other doctors are at last nearing agreement. A consensus:

* Homosexuality is not an inherited taint. There is no reason to believe that there is even an inherited tendency or susceptibility to it. Nobody is born with it, and it is not glandular in origin. It is not a disease in itself but is a symptom of an underlying emotional disorder. This disorder may be of any kind and any degree of severity. It may be a common neurosis that leaves the patient outwardly well enough to go about his affairs, and amenable to treatment if he chooses to accept it. Or the victim may be a psychopathic personality, with a defective conscience or inadequate sense of responsibility toward others, and virtually impossible for psychiatrists to treat successfully. Or he may be a schizophrenic (split personality); many of these respond well to treatment.

* There is one underlying cause common to every case of true homosexuality: the individual has failed to "identify," as psychiatrists put it, with the parent of the same sex. In normal development a young boy wants to be substantially like his father, and things go wrong when a boy rejects his father as an ideal. If the father is a dominating, bullying type, the boy is likely to prefer, and tend to identify himself with, his mother's yielding tenderness. If father is a henpecked weakling, the boy will reject him and resolve to avoid his mistake of falling into the clutches of a dominating or shrewish woman. The possible variations are innumerable.

Hidden Problem (cont)

* Underlying a boy's rejection of his father (no matter what the surface details of the latter's temperament) there is almost invariably a lack of true paternal love. For three months Manhattan play-goers have seen spelled out in Robert Anderson's "Tea and Sympathy", Herbert Lee, divorced when his son Tom was five, claims to have given the boy everything - he has sent him to the best schools and kept him in boys' camps all summer. In truth, he has been everything to the boy but a father. When Herb Lee learns that his seemingly effeminate son is falsely accused of homosexuality, he does all the wrong things. So do many real-life parents, whether the charge is false or well-founded. They are fortunate if they can get worthwhile help from family or friends or even from their ministers. One useful thing they can do is to take the boy to a psychiatrist, where, first of all, such cobweb-swords as "heredity" "Congenital" and "Hopeless" should be swept from their minds.

A Psychiatrist will treat the parents as much as the boy, in an effort to correct the flaws in the youngster's background. He will seem to pay little attention to the symptom of homosexuality, being scrupulously careful not to give it disproportionate emphasis. Instead, he will help the boy to see how his emotional growth has been stunted or twisted by factors that he did not understand. Then, when the whole personality is once again developing along more nearly normal lines the problem of homosexuality can be resolved.

Psychiatric treatment need not mean prolonged analysis. If the boy is in his early teens and not set in his ways, a few hours of give and take interviews may suffice. The older the boy and the more deeply rooted the habit, the longer the treatment and the less the chances of success. Some who will not give up the habit can be helped to adjust to society so they will do no further harm to others.

Psychiatrists hold that bullying and orgies of "Pervert," are an excitement to the deviate to prove himself, possibly in extremes of violence. And, they add, those who protest most loudly against deviations in others are the least sure of their own sexual adjustment.

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Public Relations Chapter 102

January 19 " PROSELYTIZING "
8:30 PM 1513 North Hoover St.
February 2 " CONCEPTS OF NORMAL AND
8:30 PM ABNORMAL BEHAVIOR "
1513 North Hoover

Legal Chapter # 103

January 20 " HOMOSEXUALITY AND THE LAW "
8:30 PM 1312 W. 3rd St. (Legion
Hall)
February 3 " WHAT IS A HOMOSEXUAL ?
8:30 PM 205½ Argyle

Research Chapter 104

January 13 " SEXUAL BEHAVIOR IN THE
8:30 PM HUMAN FEMALE "
211 Baxter Street

L.A. Alpha Chapter # 105

January 13 " DOES THE HOMOSEXUAL CON-
8:30 PM sider himself a part of a
PERSECUTED MINORITY ?
address to be announced.

Discussion Group Chapter # 106

January 21 " HOMOSEXUAL & HIS FAMILY "
8:30 PM 1101½ South Grandview

Long Beach Public Relations Chapter 113

January 13 " CONCEPTS OF NORMAL AND
8:30 PM ABNORMALITY IN HUMAN
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR "
4245 East 5th St. L.B.

January 27 " DEVIATION AND THE LAW "
4245 East 5th St. L.B.

NEWS LETTER TO MAILING LIST

This copy of "NEWSLETTER" is being mailed to the Society Mailing list of the Area Council. SUPPORT MATTACHINE TODAY !

(* THE HIDDEN PROBLEM *)
reprint from "TIME" magazine Dec. 28 '53

REVIEW OF THE MONTH

THE HEART IN EXILE.

Then the central character of a story is a psychiatrist, readers these days tend to regard the material with suspicion, I don't myself, but this is the only fault I have to find about this recent novel called THE HEART IN EXILE. The story begins after the suicide of a young lawyer whose fiancee asks this psychiatrist to investigate the cause. Strangely enough the lawyer was years ago an affair of this man and later a well-known London Invert. All that can be found in the suicide room is a photograph of a young red-haired working class boy hidden at the back of a frame what follows is a simply a search for this boy, leading the narrator through haunts of both his and the lawyers earlier life, ranging from government circles to infamous bars. It all sounds simple enough : there is ~~one~~, and this is unusual, a happy ending. The difference between this book and those which have gone before is, it is a very accurate chronicle of the present day situation of inversion in England. There are moments of profoundity and it is throughout underlined by commonsense and perspective : One feels that the writer is a man who has come to terms with himself. THE HEART IN EXILE is by Rodney Garland, published by W.H. Allen Co., Ltd. London I have no hesitation in recommending this book, as one that will appeal to those interested in both a well-written story and a social problem of inversion I believe too, that it will be a power for the good in enabling norms to better understand our problems. This book received favorable reviews in important daily and sunday papers, and has appeared at a time when there is every indication of a forthcoming crisis on the whole subject at the Parliament level.

by DONALD C.B.
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What is the "HIDDEN PROBLEM" ?

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WANTED : 1 Pint of blood every 6 months from you, for a child who will walk again, for a friend overseas. See your Mattachine representative today !

WANTED : All your old magazines, comic books, pocket books and old Xmas cards, for distribution to hospitals, and institutions. We Pickup Phone VA 1221 today

FOR SALE : 10,000 memberships in the Mattachine Society. Persons are needed to fill these vacancies.

WANTED : Job information for our unemployed friends and members

WANTED : 21 female persons to assist the research committee and U.C.L.A. on the preparation of an article on lesbensim for the AMERICAN MEDICAL JOURNAL.

WANTED : Homes, apartments, rooms, etc. phone your information to the Society today.

to answer these adds phone Vandyke 1221
ask for MATTACHINE, our representative
will call you.

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7 THE INTERNATIONAL POST

LONDON, ENGLAND

November 1953

"A SOCIAL PROBLEM"

CONVICTIONS FOR IMPORTUNING MALE PERSONS HAVE ARROUSED AN IGNORANT PUBLIC TO AN ASPECT OF OUR AFFAIRS WHICH TO THEM APPEARS STARTLING. WHEN A JUDGE ASSIXES, SENTENCING "A GANG OF HOMOSEXUALITY," SAYS THAT HIS CALANDER INCLUDES 19 MEN CHARGED WITH THIS OFFENCE. AND ANOTHER DESCRIBES IT AS "PERFECTLY APPALING THAT WHEN JUDGES WENT OUT ON THE CIRCUIT THEY FOUND THE CRIMINAL CALANDERS PACKED FULL OF CASES OF INDECENT ASSAULT AND GROSS INDECENCY BETWEEN MALES," THEN THE SURPRISE IS MIGHTENED TO SHOCK.

The article then describes the number of offences occurring in England and Wales the article goes on to state the cause and effect of Sexual variation upon the whole social structure, stating ----

PUBLIC OPINION HERE MOVES ON TWO CONTRASTING PLANES. THE GREAT MAJORITY OF PEOPLE VIEW MALE INVERSION AS AN ABOMINATION WHICH OUGHT TO BE STAMPED OUT. PARENTS, FEARFUL LEST THEIR BOYS BE TEMPTED OR WARPED, WOULD ALLOW NO EXCUSES FOR ANYONE WHO BY WORD OR DEED OR EXAMPLE MADE THIS MORE LIKELY. BY CONTRAST, SOPHISTI-CATED CIRCLES ARE APT TO TREAT HOMOSEXUALS WITH AMUSED TOLERANCE. TO REGARD SUCH INVERSION AS A MERE ABERRATION, TO ARGUE THAT ITS PRACTITIONERS ARE CASES FOR THE PSYCHIATRIST RATHER THAN THE COURTS. IF ONE NEED BOTHER ABOUT THEM AT ALL, AS BETWEEN THESE TWO APPROACHES, IT MUST SURELY BE AGREED, ON THE ONE HAND THAT THE ANSWER CANNOT BE FOUND ONLY IN TERMS OF CRIME, AND PUNISHMENT. IN VIEW OF THE FACTS, INDEED THE LAW THAT MAKES INNOCOURSE BETWEEN MALES AS SUCH, AN INDITABLE OFFENCE, IS NEITHER ENFORCABLE NOR IN CONSTANT WITH CURRENT ETHICAL STANDARDS. ON THE OTHER HAND IT MUST BE EQUALLY AGREED THAT CERTAIN CONSEQUENT OFFENCES ARE EVIL AND DANGEROUS. AND HAVE TO BE TREATED AS CRIME WITH PUNISHMENT. THOUGH NOT ONLY WHERE MEDICAL OR PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT CAN DO SOME GOOD. AND IF THIS BE SO, BOTH THE PROSECUTION OF THE OFFENDERS AND THEIR TREATMENT IN COURT SHOULD BE ATTUNED TO THE RECOGNITION THAT THE EVIL IS DANGEROUS AND GROWING.

* The report continues on the age old statements that homosexuals and deviates are frustrated, unstable, and exposed to blackmail, that Deviates are security risks, etc.

* THE HOME SECRETARY HAS REPEATEDLY URGED, THE ROOT OF PUBLIC EVIL IS THE MORALITY OF THE PEOPLE. IF OUR PRISONS ARE FULL AND OUR STREETS UNWHOLESOME, THEN WE MUST BALANCE THE WEAKNING MORALS OF THE MANY AS WELL AS THE ACTUAL OFFENSES OF THE FEW. THIS IS POSSIBLY THE FIRST TIME THAT A NATIONAL NEWSPAPER OF STANDING HAS DEVOTED ITS WHOLE LEADING ARTICLE TO THIS SUBJECT. SOME READERS MAY BE SURPRISED. BUT EVENTS HAVE MADE THIS PROBLEM MORE WIDELY DISCUSSED THAN EVER BEFORE AND SO GRAVE IT IS A LEAD TO PUBLIC THOUGHT THAT BECOMES AN IMPERATIVE DUTY.

* This article (A SOCIAL PROBLEM) is
* excerpts from London's leading newspaper THE SUNDAY TIMES of November
* 1st 1953. The entire editorial page
* was devoted to the subject.

* reprints are available upon request by
* writing to the publisher, attached to
* the reprints are numerous letters to
* the editors. We have reprinted one.

* SIR : MAY I SAY SIR THAT SOME OF US ARE
* INTENSELY RELIEVED THAT THIS PERNICIOUS
* & PESTILENTIAL PROBLEM MAY AT LAST BE
* SQUARELY FACED. FOR IT HAS BEEN TOO
* LONG NOW A CANKER EATING INTO THE SO-
* CALLED INTELLECTUAL AND ARTISTIC FABRIC
* OF OUR SOCIETY.

* signed JOHN BARBIROLI
* MANCHESTER -2-
* ENGLAND.

* AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND
* OCTOBER , 1953

* The I.C.S.E. has released the pamphlet
* "A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE MATTACHINE SO-
* CIETY" in its international publica-
* tion. Written in four languages the
* publication as circulation around the
* world. Want'a subscribe. ?

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On 11-14-53 [redacted] telephonically contacted the Los Angeles office re captioned stating [redacted] she was the magazine "ONE" advocating marriage among men and also received the "Mattachine Guardian".

On 1-18-54 [redacted] was contacted and advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] said that [redacted]

[redacted] there were a number of issues of the magazine "ONE" which advocated marriage among men; also that there were quantities of literature and letter head stationery of the Mattachine Society which she described as an organization of "queers".

[redacted] advised that [redacted] received "ONE" through the mail and an article in the August issue said it had been held up for some time due to the FBI. [redacted]

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[redacted] said that if any info. came to her attention re [redacted] she would so advise the writer.

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COMPLAINT FORM

Subject's Name and Aliases

Minister at Large, Calif. Universalist Convention, 7367
Hollywood Blvd.,

Minister First Universalistic Church

Address of Subject 755 So. Crenshaw.

MISCELLANEOUS

Character of Case

Name of Complainant

Address of Complainant

HO 77027

Telephone Number of Complainant
3-10-54 2:25pm

Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

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FACTS OF COMPLAINT: complainant, residence address

came in person to office to advise he is regional representative of Universalistic Church of America and that subject's church was used as meeting place of MATTACHINE SOCIETY to hold state-wide convention in 1953 at which time this society was abolished and MATTACHINE FOUNDATION was founded (Homosexual organization). Complainant also has independent information that subject has strong personal involvement in MATTACHINE FOUNDATION as well as supply the aforementioned meeting place. As result subject is being removed as minister at his church and complainant is to make recommendation that subject be removed not only from church but from Universalistic Church of America.

Wanted what info we had on MATTACHINE FOUNDATION. He was advised of confidential nature of FBI files and that FBI could be of no help in this matter. Complainant's name appears on directory of Camp ~~Red~~ Radford in 1953, which is summer church for Unitarian Church. (100-46513-1E1-2)

Action Recommended by Agent: Index and file in 62-0

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March 25, 1954

SUBJECT:

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Former Addressee:

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Subject is described as follows:

On March 1st, 1954, the Mattachine Society (see our files) mailed an invitation to its' members to attend a discussion group meeting on "Transvestism", to be held [redacted], on March 2, 1954 at 8:30 PM (Tuesday).

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Investigation discloses that the above-mentioned meeting was held at [redacted] of the above address, with approximately 20 men present and 10 women. [redacted] is the residence of [redacted]

The Criminal Index records of the Los Angeles Police Department disclose

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Subject has the following arrest records:

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Southern Area Council

NEWS LETTER

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY - P.O. BOX 1925 - LOS ANGELES - 53- CALIFORNIA -- USA - VA 1221
VOLUME 2 MARCH 1, 1954 NUMBER 3

MATTACHINE SUPPORTS LEGAL CASE

The Coordinating Council announced last week that the Mattachine has undertaken financial support of a legal case involving a technical point of law. It will require a considerable sum of money to place this case before the Appellate Court. Details of this case will be forthcoming in the next issue of NEWSLETTER.

SEEN " CONFIDENTIAL " FOR MAY ?

Seems the society has grown by leaps and bounds since we last reported to you. "CONFIDENTIAL" has it that we now have 9000 members in California, and a potential income of 6,000,000 dollars per year.

CRUSADERS SEND GREETINGS

Crusaders Club has extended an invitation to all members of the Mattachine Society to attend its next social meeting to be held at the First Universalist Church 8 th and Crenshaw (in the Social Room) at 8:30 PM on March 23. Refreshments & games will be featured.

FUND RAISING PICNIC PLANNED

Public Relations Chapter announced today that a picnic will be held to raise funds for legal cases. A Sunday afternoon of entertainment is being planned. Tickets are available from discussion groups and Society members. It will be held on Sunday March 21 st at 1:00 PM, In Griffith Park (Ferndell picnic grounds) Public transportation is available to Los Feliz and Western Avenue.

WHO MUST REGISTER ?

Are you required to register under the State or City law ? Do you know that each time you move, you must by law, notify the Sheriff or police department of the city and or county in which you reside, of your new address. Failure to do so constitutes a violation of Section 290 of the State penal code. Which clearly states, that all persons convicted of a felony, sex offense, or a misdemeanor shall be required to register their name and address with the sheriff's office or police dept. in the city or county in which they reside. Under state law you are required to register when entering the state within 30 days and notify change of address within 10 days. This law enacted January 6, 1950 was made retroactive to July 1, 1944. This means anyone convicted after July 1, 1944 of any of the above crimes must register.

Under the municipal code section 52.39 of the City of Los Angeles the same law applies with exception that all persons must register and notify change of address within (48) Forty-eight hours.

This also means that if you live in Santa Monica and enter Los Angeles more than 4 time per month you must register in both cities.

We wish to advise our friends of the necessity of complying with this law. Failure to do so means you may be arrested at any time. Since several arrests have been made, it is quite obvious that the police department intends to crack down on all offenders. (A word to the wise)

TOWN CRIER

Seems, as we roam about the Society, that in reality we're more united than we realize. One of our members was picked up a few nights ago for failure to change address on his registration down at City Hall. In addition, a lost or forgotten parking ticket caught up with him. It took our bail-bondsman about 1 1/2 hours to get him out of Lincoln Heights. And one week later the case was dismissed. Well, this is fine, but there's still attorney and bail-bond fees. But the Society members individually came to the rescue. A total of 45 dollars has been contributed at this writing. The member wants to express his sincere gratitude and appreciation for this united attitude present in the members of the Mattachine Society. Any donations received and not used will be turned over to the new case being handled by the Mattachine Society. I hear that one chapter is holding a Sunday picnic benefit for the new case being handled by Mattachine. Since the resignation of the Public Relations chairman of the Coordinating Council, one of our esteemed friends from Long Beach chapter has been appointed. Incidentally, the Legislative Chairman has also resigned. The Legal and legislative offices have been temporarily combined. We'll miss youse guys and hope to see you back soon.

We wonder who finally got around to painting the Area Council office?.....

For those of you who haven't seen it, sure looks more dignified.....

Have you received your copy of the Constitution, by-laws and other information literature yet? If not, better pick it up at the next discussion group. We missed many of our friends at the Blood Bank Party. Perhaps you were one of those who couldn't make it at that time. However, you can donate blood at any time. Just inform the nurse that it is for the Mattachine Society. Drop by if you can. Eleven pints of blood were collected at the February 12 party. Only 6 pints were donated by Society members, however. The other 5 pints were donated by outside persons.

Area Council announces an open meeting for all Society members on Friday, March 5. All members are urged to attend and voice their opinions at this special meeting. It will be held in the auditorium at 232 S. Hill, 8 o'clock!

BOOK OF THE MONTH

WYLIE: ESSAY ON MORALS

Sex, as it will be necessary to explain later, is the chief vested interest of religion. It is a principal concern of government. When law and religion were embodied together in tribal customs, the administration of sex, next to traffic in ghosts, constituted the main means of continuum for those in authority. Machinations of tabu and privilege, unconscious and traditional though they were and usually still are, capture the libido (the psychic energies) of the many, and hold them subject to the authority of the few. Thus to most people, tampering with sex concepts was equivalent to tampering with the laws of God, and to the more enlightened minority, it amounted to an interference with Common Law and hence a violation of accumulated common sense.

I presume that the doctors of medicine found their first clue to the unconscious mind in sex and began to unravel the great snarl of human aberration as the sexual end of its infinite skein owing to the fact that the instincts of sex are at once the most powerful and the most frustrated of any, in this civilization. The cases which came before their eyes were most often the derelicts of conscious-unconscious sexual conflicts and those cases were the most dramatic, which is to say, conspicuous. Had the doctors been dealing with American Indians or with Hindus or Chinamen, their first clue to the total psyche of man might have come from another direction: conflicts arising from an inability to accept and assimilate the objective environment.

But their patients were Western man and the common symptom, when diagnosed, proved to be a disease of the sex instinct--or a host of diseases; this circumstance, while it uncovered instinctuality, further relegated psychology to the doctors. For, in the West, whenever some part of sexuality becomes unmanageable for the priest, and uncontrollable for the justice, it is turned over to the doctor who, before Freud, usually brought it to rest in the asylum.

SEE ON THE TOWN WITH MATTACHINE

ON THE TOWN WITH MATTACHINE : a calander of events for your convanience

MARCH 10, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
Topic : SEXUAL INFIDELITY
424 North Coronado St. Apt. 100, L.A.
sponsord by Chapter 104 (RESEARCH)

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Topic : " THE LESBIAN " FACT & FALACY
1154 Vibla Avenue, Glendale
sponsored by Chapter 106 (DISCUSSION)

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OPEN COMMITTEE MEETING OF MONITERING &
DOSSIER & LEGAL AID COMMITTEES.
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Topic : CONCEPTS OF "GAY" VOCABULARY
826 Fedora Street, apt. 9, L.A.
sponsored by Chapter 102 (PAB RELATIONS)

MARCH 18, 1954 8:30 PM A 1221
Topic : IS MR. ADVERAGE MAN A SEX
CRIMINAL ?
1101½ South Grandview, L.A.
sponsored by Chapter 106 (DISCUSSION)

MARCH 21, 1954 1:30 PM VA 1221
Topic : FUND RAISING PICNIC
GRIFFITH PARK FLRNDELL PICNIC GROUNDS
Sponsored by Chapter 102 (PUB. RELATIONS)

MARCH 24, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
Topic : First Chapter Business Meeting
address : Please phone
sponsored by chapter 114 (HIGHLAND PARK)

MARCH 24, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
Topic : WHAT STAND SHOULD THE HOMO-
SEXUAL TAKE IN SOCIETY ?
1154 North Viola Ave., Glendale
sponsored by Chapter 104 (RESEARCH)

MARCH 26, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
SPAGHETTI DINNER, With Trimmings.
Tickets on sale at all chapters
proceeds to be allocated to Slade Case.
admission \$ 1.50
sponsored by SOCIAL COMMITTEE OF THE AREA

UP FROM EARTH'S CENTRE THROUGH THE 7 TH
GATE I ROSE, AND ON THE THRONE OF SATURN
SATE, AND MANY KNOTS UNRAVEL'D BY THE
ROAD: BUT NOT THE KNOT OF HUMAN DEATH &
FATE.

— OMAR KHAYYAM

VISIT A DISCUSSION GROUP TONIGHT 1

MARCH 10, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
Topic : MY RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW
306 Oxford Place, Long Beach
sponsored by Chapter 113 (PUB. RELATIONS)

MARCH 26, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
Topic : AN ANSWER TO ONE
1154 Viola Avenue, Glendale
sponsored by Chapter 106 (DISCUSSION)

MARCH 30, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
Topic : CRUISING
826 Fedora Street, Los Angeles
sponsored by Chapter 102 (PUB. RELATIONS)

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Topic : SECRET TOPIC ? ? ? ? ? ?
1101½ Grandview, Los Angeles
sponsored by Chapter 106 (DISCUSSION)

APRIL 7, 1954 8:00 PM VA 1221
Topic : THE " GAY " BAR
address to be announced
sponsored by Chapter 104 (RESEARCH)

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sponsored by Chapter 102 (PUB. RELATIONS)

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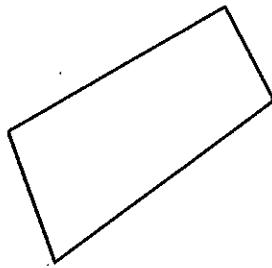
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A story of a meeting with a man in Picadilly underground station, visits to flats in London, and a party at a beach hut was told by a 25 year old R.A.F. Corporal who gave evidence for 3½ hours today when Lord Montagu of Beaulieu and two other men appeared on serious charges.

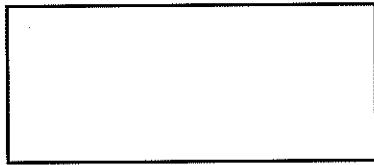
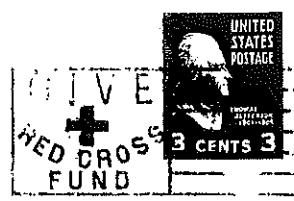
Lord Montagu, 27 year old third baron appeared with Micheal Pitt-Rivers, age 37 a farmer, and Peter Wildeblood, age 30, a journalist. All three were charged with conspiring together between April 1st and Oct. 1st 1952. Against each of the accused were other allegations involving a total of 19 charges between them.

19 charges between them.
(reprint : NEWS OF THE WORLD : London)
The two page article complete with
pictures may be aquired at the News-Stand
Las Palmas at Hollywood. It will be
interesting to learn the final verdict.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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METACHINE SOCIETY

Subject's Name and Aliases

P.O. Box 1925, Main Post Office
Los Angeles 53, Calif. (and also
P.O. Box 851, Oakland, Calif.)

Address of Subject

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Character of Case

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant called and asked if the captioned organization is a subversive organization. He informed that the organization has written to several of the patients at the stated hospital and that while he had no reason for believing it to be subversive in any way, nevertheless, he was just curious about it.

Agent advised the complainant that by Departmental Order #3849 all official records and information of the FBI is to be regarded as confidential and therefore the name of the organization about which he was inquiring could not be searched thru our files. Agent then furnished complainant with the address of the Loyalty Review Board in San Francisco.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

None.

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3:05 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-403320)

THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC., AKA. THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY,

IS DASH C. [REDACTED] PCI, ADVISES THAT SUBJECT ORGANIZA-

TION WILL HOLD CONVENTION IN SAN FRANCISCO MAY FIFTEEN AND

SIXTEEN, FIFTYFOUR. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN NAMED AS DELEGATE BUT

WILL NOT ATTEND [REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO

RECOMMENDED TO ADVISE WHETHER ANY INFORMANT COVERAGE WILL BE HAD

AT THIS CONVENTION. IN THE EVENT SAN FRANCISCO HAS NO INFORMANT

COVERAGE, THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO CONSIDER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

MALONE

HRD:mdr
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cc: SAN FRANCISCO (100-37394)

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FBI SAN FRANCISCO

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DIRECTOR (100-403320) AM

THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC., AKA THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, IS - C.
RE LA AIRTEL TO BUREAU 4/29/54. NO SF INFORMANT HAS KNOWN PLANS TO
ATTEND SUBJECT ORGANIZATION'S CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN SF 5/15 AND 16.

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WHELAN

JD: EKK

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CC LOS ANGELES (100-45888) (AM)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Los Angeles (100-45888)

DATE: May 7, 1954

cc: Director, FBI (100-403320)

SUBJECT: THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC.,
also known as The Mattachine Society
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Reference is made to Los Angeles airtel dated April 29, 1954, advising that the captioned organization will hold a convention in San Francisco, California, May 15 and 16, 1954, and requested [redacted]

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The report of SA [redacted] dated December 31, 1953, at Los Angeles closed this case in view of the lack of Communist infiltration or control of the group.

In view of the circumstances the Bureau does not feel that [redacted]

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2cc - San Francisco (100-37394)

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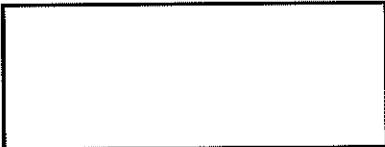
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Dear Sir :

Thank you for your letter of January 26, 1954, I believe letters and information has been forwarded to you prior to this letter, and If my memory is correct it was returned to us as address unknown. However, I'm enclosing some of our recent releases. If you desire more information it may be procured by telephoning VAndyke 1221 and ask for Mattachine.

Please forgive this delay in answer to your letter, However it just came to my attention and apparently have been miss filed in out closed corrspondance. In checking over the file We discovered it had not been answered.

If we can be of further service to you please feel free to call.

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Sincerely Yours,

J. Loy, Chairman
Southern Area Council

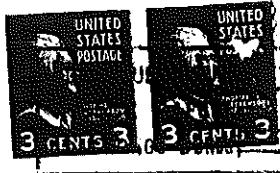
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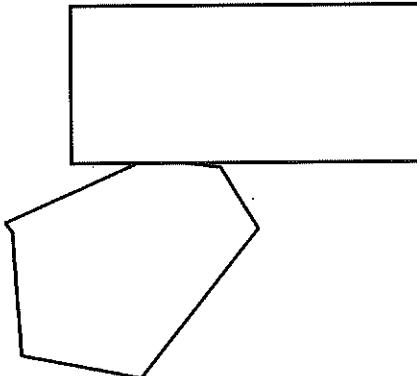
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NEWS LETTER

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC. - P.O. BOX 1925 - LOS ANGELES 53, CALIFORNIA - U.S.A.

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APRIL 1, 1954

NUMBER 4

A GREAT DAY

March 22, 1954 is a day to be remembered by the sexual deviates of the United States, for it was on that day that the State of California recognized the MATTACHINE SOCIETY as a legally constituted body. Last Thursday the board of directors received the corporate papers with the seal of the State of California affixed. Reelection of officers occurred at the meeting of the Coordinating Council of March 22 1954, with the following officers elected : CHAIRMAN - Kenneth Burns.

PUBLICATIONS - Harold Call

LEGAL - Frank Parkhurst

CHAIRMAN S.A.C. - John Loy

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Jim Laha

The Coordinating Council ceased to exist being replaced by the Board of Directors. As a Corporation, the Society holds responsibility as a group for any debts incurred or actions taken. Formerly, members were held individually responsible for all actions taken by other members. All chapters using letterhead stationery or other MATTACHINE identified materials should add the word incorporation to it.

THE SLADE CASE

Funds are needed to prepare transcripts for the forth-coming case being prepared by attorney H. Selwyn, in which discrimination of the defendant in court is being appealed. This case may be the one which will test the constitutionality of the lewd-vagrancy law. We need your financial assistance today. Make all checks payable to THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC. Mail your contributions to : THE SLADE CASE

MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.
P.O. BOX 1925
LOS ANGELES - 53 - CALIF.

KINSEY-POMEROY

Homosexuals are not maladjusted and unstable individuals, according to Dr. Wardell Pomeroy, Assistant to Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey. In an interview with Dr. Kinsey and Dr. Pomeroy in their Statler Hotel Suite, the Scientists discussed sex-variation as seen by a psychiatrists. "Doctors see only those variants who are maladjusted, not those who are well adjusted," they said. Thus, they indicate no real basis for a control group as based on psychiatric reports.

Dr. Kinsey and Dr. Pomeroy are in Los Angeles interviewing cases for a forthcoming book, "The Sex Offender and the Law." They will work chiefly with the Emotional Security Program of the Metropolitan State Hospital at Horwaltz, besides civic organizations and the MATTACHINE SOCIETY. "The Mattachine Society has been very cooperative," stated Dr. Kinsey. "We have taken more than a dozen case histories in three days in Los Angeles, with telephone calls still coming in for future appointments." The San Francisco Area, too, offered numerous cases for them, he said.

Dr. Kinsey and his staff have spent fourteen years preparing for the new book on law, with no definite future publication date set. He will discuss sex laws and where they came from, and interviews with offenders who have been involved with the law, who are in custody at the present time and those who have had no connection with the law. "There can be no control group in the case of the offender and the law," stated Dr. Pomeroy. "Ninety-five percent of the male population could be arrested for sex offences," he said.

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They are interested in considering the difference between the sex offender who has been caught and those who haven't. Society is beginning to accept sex-variation, with the coming of the younger generations, according to Dr. Pomeroy. Too, it is accepted more in various areas: metropolitan areas understand and adjust to it more readily than rural, he said. Through interviews with representatives of all sex preferences, the Doctors note that individual people are willing to accept sex-variants, although hindered by laws and regulations.

In answer to a question dealing with inborn sex drives, the doctors stated a belief that "No one is born with homosexual or heterosexual drives." Such drives are acquired through environment in early life, they indicated.

Dr. Kinsey and Dr. Pomeroy will be interviewing in Los Angeles at various periods in April and May. They request interviews with all persons who have been involved with the law in any way.

CARD PARTY

Penochle, Bridge, Canasta, Anyone? Join chapter 106 on Monday April 26 at 1101½ South Gradvie, Los Angeles, at 7:30 PM (NO GAMBLING) - sorry. However, if you would just like a social evening of playing cards and yacking this'll be right up your alley. Tickets are available from any member of 106, 50 cents per person, with light refreshments and "giddy prizes" On this one you can't miss. And too, You'll be helping the Society to win the Slade case. You're right, it's another benifit. But with you're help we'll win. Get a ticket today, We'll see you there!

IT'S CONVENTION TIME AGAIN

May 15-16 are the dates set for the 1st annual Convention to be held at San Francisco. The Friends Hall has been reserved for the two days, Saturday and Sunday. The agenda has been arranged by the Board of Directors, 1st order of business will be registration of delegates, there will be the usual registration fee of two dollars per person attending the convention.

The Southern Area Council is holding a pre convention mass meeting on Sunday April 11 to prepare for the transportation and other details of the convention, proposed by-laws and constitutional questions will be the order of business. This will be the first convention since the incorporation of the Mattachine Society. Arrangements have been made for a banquet, housing and etc.

NEW LEGAL POLICY

Adoption of a new Mattachine Society legal policy has been announced by the Society legal chairman.

The new policy is divided into three parts calling for (I) legal protection of the Society, (II) steps to be taken by the legal committee to obtain the ultimate goal of the Society, and (III) Organization and functioning of the legal committee.

In carrying out the first point, authorization is given to the Legal Committee to take any action necessary to protect the interests of the Society. This is to include law-suits of any type deemed necessary or advisable by the Board of Directors.

The Society's interest in legal cases involves not only the question of guilt or innocence, but should be limited to those whose where sexual discriminations occurs as to the enforcement and application of the particular law under which a defendant is charged. Cases may be handled where the constitutionality of a statute (City, State or Federal) is in question.

The legal Committee employs research into laws of other states and countries, receiving and evaluating and disseminating information on the workings of present laws and their effect on the average citizen, as well as the sex-variant. The policy calls for education of the public on such laws and their effect. The legal committee of the Mattachine Society consists of the Chairman - Elected by the General Convention - Legislative Chairman of the Society and the Chairman of each Area Legal Committee. The policy requires each Area Council to establish a legal committee.

BOOK OF THE MONTH

In the time of your life, live -- so that in that good time there shall be no ugliness or death for yourself or for any life your life touches. Seek goodness everywhere and when it is found, bring it out of its hiding place and let it be free and unashamed. Plate in matter and in flesh the least of the values, for these are the things that hold death and must pass away. Discover in all things that which shines and is beyond corruption. encourage virtue in whatever heart it may have been driven into secrecy and sorrow by the shame and terror of the world. Ignore the obvious for it is unworthy of the clear eyes of the kindly heart.

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Be the inferior of no man, nor of any man be the superior. Remember that every man is a variation of yourself. No man's guilt is not yours, nor is any man's innocence a thing apart. Despise evil and ungodliness, but not men of ungodliness or evil. These understand. Have no shame in being kindly and gentle, but if the time comes in the time of your life, to kill, kill and have no regret. In the time of your life, live so that in that wondrous time you shall not add to the misery and sorrow of the world, but shall smile to the infinite delight and mystery of it.

Preface to
"TIME ON YOUR LIFE"
by W. Saroyan

WORKING CHAPTER

Letter except p. 103 of the Southern Area announced yesterday, plans for the new program of their chapter. Work periods will replace discussion groups. These periods will consist of open committee meetings where actual work will be accomplished. All committees of the chapter will meet at various places, every other Monday night at 8:00 PM. All members of the Society are invited to attend.

CAPPLES BEING ADDED TO SOCIETY

The Board of Directors ratified the application from Chicago last week for a new chapter. This is the result of Ronald Dixen's trip to the east recently. We have it open authority that two other chapter have their applications in the mail. (one in Detroit and one in Cleveland) In addition the Key chapter of San Diego has applied for official recognition. The Southern Area Council sends congratulations and much success. To all new chapters to join this movement.

WATCH FOR THE BLOOD BANK PARTY J J J

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ONE MAGAZINE ON SALE AT NEWSSTAND

In answer to many requests to learn where copies of "U.S.C." magazine may be purchased, these two Los Angeles newsstands have current copies and some back issues. Newsstand at Los Feliz and Hollywood Blvd. and on Hill Street near 6th.

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WILL YOU WRITE US?

Society members are requested to forward all newstials and bits of gossip to the attention of the editors in c/o of the Los Angeles P.O. Box. WRITE IT TODAY.

ON THE TOWN WITH MATTACHINE

CHAPTER 104 "GAY BARS"

424 N. Coronado St. L.A.

April 7, 8:00 PM

CHAPTER 105 "CODE OF ETHICS"

215 N. Ave. 53 Hghl Prk.

April 21, 8:00 PM

CHAPTER 106 "GUEST SPEAKER"

Time and place to be announced

CHAPTER 113 "WHAT IS IT LIKE TO BE A HOMOSEXUAL?"

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April 22, 8:00 PM

CHAPTER 113 "IS THERE A CURE?"

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May 3, 8:00 PM

CHAPTER 113 "ARE THE NUMBERS INCREASING OR DECREASING?"

334 East Ocean Blvd. L.B.

May 20, 8:00 PM

CHAPTER 113 "DOES HE EVER MARRY AND WHY?"

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June 3, 8:00 PM

Note: Chapter 113 is now holding all its meetings in the chapter office. Located in the basement of the Robinson Hotel at 334 East Ocean Blvd. in Long Beach.

RESEARCH MOVES AHEAD

Stand by for a call for more tests at U.C.L.A. We talked with Dr. Hogker last night and while the compilation of the previous tests is not complete more tests will be offered to Society members.

OPTIONAL SECURITY PROGRAM

The optional security program now in its third year has progressed beyond its expectations. We had the pleasure of attending a panel discussion entitled "How do you start to work on your problem?" Our impression of the discussion was that the program itself was possible the best obtainable in this country. We shall devote an editorial to this topic in the next issue.

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AIMS & PRINCIPALS

EDUCATION :

Education of the general public so as to give them a better understanding concerning sex variation, so that all persons may be accepted as individuals for their own worth and not blindly condemned for their emotional make-up : to correct general misconceptions, Bigotries, and prejudices resulting from lack of accurate information regarding sex variants.

Education of the homosexuals themselves so that they may better understand not only the causes and conditions of sexual variation, but formulate an adjustment and pattern of behavior that is acceptable to society in general and compatible with recognized institutions of a moral and civilized society with respect for the sanctity of home, church, and state.

INTERGRATION :

Since deviates desire acceptance into society, it behooves them to assume community responsibility. They should, as individuals, actively affiliate with community endeavors, such as civic and welfare organizations, religious institutions, and exercise their rights as citizens, instead of attempting to withdraw into an invert society of their own. For only as they make positive contributions to the general welfare can they expect acceptance into the communities in which they live.

The long term aim is not only to support well-adjusted deviates with full integration into society, but to give special aid to maladjusted homosexuals for their own welfare as well as that of the community.

SOCIAL ACTION :

To secure the active cooperation and support of existing institutions such as psychology departments of universities : state and city welfare groups : mental hygiene departments in pursuing the programs of education and integration.

To contact legislators regarding both existing discriminatory statutes and proposed revisions and additions to the criminal code in keeping with the findings of leading psychiatrists, so that the laws may be promulgated with respect to a realistic attitude toward the behavior of human beings.

To eliminate widespread discrimination in the fields of employment, professions and society, as well as to attain personal social acceptance among the respectable members of any community.

To dispel the idea that the sex variant is unique, "queer" or unusual, but is instead a human being with the same capacities of feeling, thinking and accomplishment as any other human being.

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To accomplish these aims in a law-abiding manner. Homosexuals are not seeking to overthrow or destroy any of society's existing institutions or laws, But to be assimilated as constructive, valuable and responsible citizens. Accepted democratic processes are to be relied upon as the technique for accomplishing this program.

We oppose indecent public behavior, and particularly excoriate those who attempt to use force or violence upon any other person whatsoever.

Although the Mattachine Society is a non-sectarian organization and is not affiliated with any political organization, It will not tolerate use of itself or its name for any subversive political activity or reprehensible conduct.

More information may be obtained by writing to THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY

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A BRIEF HISTORY

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In the meantime, the original group of three had grown to seven and filed for incorporation as a non-profit, research organization in the State of California as the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION.

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It was the task of the lowest "Order" to organize and sponsor the discussion groups. These groups, numbering anywhere from twenty to fifty people, met in various homes every two weeks. It was thru these discussion groups that people were introduced to the Mattachine Movement. The groups had the function of not only educating the participants but also of offering a measure of group therapy to a people who had hitherto been predominantly suspicious, fearful and uneasy.

It was the lowest "order", too, that furnished the labor for the mailing committee and that gathered and forwarded to the foundation the donations collected in the discussion groups.

As the Mattachine movement grew it became apparent that a secret and non-democratic society was proving to be too great a hindrance to accurate and adequate communication between the lowest "order" and the foundation head of command. With the increased number of people reached thru the discussion groups came an insistent sense of responsibility to them amongst the members of the lowest "order". A new democratic and non-secret society was very much needed.

In response to the importunities of the lowest "order" members, the head of the secret society called a convention to form a new organization. The members of the lowest "order" and other people interested in the movement met on April 11, 1953 to create and adopt a constitution for the new society. It required another meeting of the convention delegates in May of the same year to agree on the final form of the constitution, adopt it, elect officers, and pass on resolutions and bylaws to implement the new society. It began its work democratically and openly, for a better world for a group of people who, one might say, deserve somewhat better of society than they have been want to receive.

It became apparent during this last session the the original founders of the movement had built better than they knew. For there emerged from the convention a society designed to carry out all the functions of the now-defunct secret "orders" plus many of the activities of the Foundation itself. Let no disrespect for the Foundation and its efforts be inferred. If it had not been for the original three and the Foundation they created, the MATTACHINE SOCIETY would still be a dream in somebody's head.

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But the time had come for the child to supplant the father and the old order literally and figuratively passed away. The Foundation announced that it was dissolving in favor of the new society and proudly gave it the name which was as proudly - and gratefully - accepted. Shortly thereafter the Foundation filed for dissolution as a corporation and turned over to the new MATTACHINE SOCIETY its files and correspondence.

Thus the idea of the MATTACHINE Movement has been enlarged and extended. As it has grown in California it is now growing thru-out the United States. It will continue to grow as new chapters are formed, new discussion groups are organized.

In recent months the Southern Area has inaugurated a program of psychological and bio-medical research, cooperating with a group of highly qualified doctors and psychologists in a series of scientific and objective tests. Reports from the Northern area indicate a program of similar nature already underway.

But psychological and bio-medical research is only one aspect of the Society's work. The Northern area has begun compilation of a bibliography to which project several members in the Southern Area are lending their time and effort. Several Chapters have devoted themselves to special projects, such as legal aid and research chapters. Discussion groups are sponsored in which the most serious and thought-provoking aspects of the general problems are discussed.

As time goes on the work of the Society will extend into many and greater areas. The extent and efficacy of this work is entirely dependent on the membership and the income which they contribute to this purpose.

The Aims and Principles of the Society are as worthy and noble as those of any social organization to take form in this country. The goal when achieved, can only bring greater health and happiness to its people. We have always needed, we need now, and shall undoubtly need in the future organizations devoted to the application of sane, intelligent, and healthy solutions to the complex problems of being human.

There is an old saying "God helps those who help themselves" Let us work for our goal, then, with god's help we shall achieve it.

Coordinating Council, of the

MATTACHINE SOCIETY
P.O. Box 1925
Los Angeles 53- California

See other publications : Aims and Principles
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12 IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

WHERE DID IT BEGIN ?

Several years ago, a small group of people in Los Angeles formed the nucleus of the present society. It was formally organized in April 1953, when a constitutional convention provided for national expansion of the organization.

WHAT IS THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY ?

It is an organization of persons who are interested in the problems of the sex-variant, and the solution of that problem.

WHY WAS IT FORMED ?

For the education, integration of the sex deviate, for the education of society at large, to correct those misconceptions, bigotries, and prejudices resulting from lack of accurate information.

HOW CAN THIS BE ACHIEVED ?

To this end, The Mattachine Society, sponsors psychological and medical research, educational programs, and is actively affiliated with civic organizations and universities.

IS IT AN ORGANIZATION OF HOMOSEXUALS EXCLUSIVELY ?

Emphatically NO ! All persons —men and women alike— who are over 21 years of age and interested in the problem and its solution are invited to give cooperation and support. This is not an organization attempting to create a Homosexual Society, But rather an organization seeking the integration of the Sex variant as a responsible and acceptable citizen in the community.

WHAT ARE DISCUSSION GROUPS ?

They are meetings open to the public, and are sponsored by a chapter in your area, a part of the public relations and educational program of the society. For the purpose of accurately informing interested persons of the existence of the Society, and for public discussion of topics related to this social problem.

WHAT ARE CHAPTERS ?

Chapters are the basic membership organizational unit. They sponsor and conduct discussion groups, research programs, study legal aspects, raise funds through dues and other activities in order to accomplish various projects in furtherance of the aims of the Society.

WHAT IS THE SOCIETY'S ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE ?

In addition to chapters, an area council is formed to coordinate activities of chapters in each locality. It is composed of elected representatives from each chapter. Above this a coordinating council is elected to guide and channel the activities of the whole society. The officers of the coordinating council are elected by the General Convention, which is the supreme governing body of the Society. Delegates are democratically elected by a vote of chapter members, to the General Convention. The number of delegates is determined on the basis of chapter membership.

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CAN I REMAIN ANONYMOUS ?

No one is required to give his full name to the society, no membership lists are kept, not because the activities of the society are subversive or illegal, but solely because we realize that in view of widespread prejudice yet to be overcome, the general welfare of some persons could be damaged were it commonly known that they were either sympathetic or active participants in an organization of this kind. Historically, we are reminded that the early christians -- now held in the highest esteem -- were required to maintain anonymity for their own preservation.

HOW MAY I PARTICIPATE ?

Informally : by attending discussion groups, & contributions of financial aid, generally aiding the program by disseminating accurate information concerning the sex variant.

Formally : by becoming an actual dues-paying member of the society itself. This means working on committees, projects and other activities, in furtherance of the aims and principals of the Society. Any group of 4 or more persons may apply for recognition as a chartered chapter of the Society, providing they subscribe to the constitution, by-laws and acknowledge the aims and principals for which the society was formed.

HOW DOES THE MATTACHINE FEEL ABOUT POLITICS ?

Politically, the Mattachine Society is non-partisan. We espouse no "isms", and offer in supporting evidence the following resolution adopted by the first constitutional convention of May 1953

Whereas this organization is neither political nor sectarian, and whereas we believe that our group can only achieve the social integration which it seeks within the framework of a free society: and Whereas we find it especially significant that the most brutal and restrictive laws against homosexuality occur in those countries, like Russia, where the freedom of the individual is most severely limited: and Whereas those who attack the basic freedom of the individual in this country, both of the extreme right and the extreme left, have been the most bitter enemies of the homosexual, We therefore resolve : to pledge ourselves to fight racial religious and sexual discrimination within and outside the organization.

HOW MAY I OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION ?

Write to the Society at any one of these addresses :

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 1925
LOS ANGELES -53- CALIFORNIA

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 259
SAN FRANCISCO -1- CALIF.

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 851
OAKLAND -4- CALIFORNIA

Or you may phone VAndike 1221 - LOS ANGELES, & ask for MATTACHINE.

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(NOTE: Recording taken at middle of discussion between [redacted]
[redacted] and a Doctor whose name is not mentioned in the
recording).

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Q. What is known about the problem itself?

A. (Doctor): Not a great deal is known. And, I might say that one of the great difficulties is the fact that the word homosexual has been quite taboo and therefore there has not been enough interest placed in the problem.

Q. What about the causes. Are they known?

A. (Doctor): Well, some causes. I might say this, that possibly you may be well acquainted with the fact that on occasion there are physical attributes particularly in the male homosexual where a very effeminate individual by constitution may be encouraged along the line of homosexuality by possibly the question of a male homosexual, an over dominant mother and an extremely passive father. These are just a few elements that we know about.

Q. May I ask you to enlarge on the word "passive" father? In what way would he be passive. Disinterested in the problems of the child?

A. (Doctor): He may be interested but very fearful of going into the problem particularly when it deals in sexual matters and especially if he were to deal with a kind of home physical encounter.

Q. And there is, as you say, a general ignorance of the subject on the part of the layman?

A. Oh, yes.

Q. Well, maybe we can help some of them tonight. Is the homosexual a problem as such?

A. (Doctor): Now I wouldn't say so. Except in so far as I already pointed out that there are some elements, physical elements, which may have encouraged the individual toward the homosexual area but I think that homosexuality is essentially an acquired situation.

Q. Can you usually tell a person with this problem by his appearance?

A. (Doctor): Very often not. In fact if I may take the privilege I might say that anyone that you might meet could have a homosexual problem. Persons like yourself and myself for instance.

Q. Is the homosexual often involved in outrageous sex crimes, Doctor?

A. (Doctor): No. The problem of homosexuality is not unlike the problem of alcoholism. On occasion the alcoholic is involved in very serious crimes but this is not true of all alcoholics.

Q. What successes has there been in the treatment of homosexuality?

A. (Doctor): Not a great deal. One of the largest difficulties is the fact that due to the word the taboo on homosexuality many individuals will be afraid to tell a friend. They will be afraid to consult their physicians. Some of the factors, of course, which prevent a certain amount of success in the homosexual sphere might be the time it has existed. Naturally, if it has existed for a long period this is against it.

Q. In the entire treatment there is a possibility of great help?

A. (Doctor): Yes. And, also I might say the availability of help. Frequently such help is quite expensive, or possibly a public clinic but there are not enough available.

Q. Doctor, certainly the most important help you can give us tonight is your advice to parents how they can avoid encouraging homosexual trends in their children.

A. (Doctor): I might start by explaining that there are certain general things that parents can do to prevent personality problems in their children, and the homosexual problem is a personality problem. They may have to show a great deal of stability and this can be evidenced by their showing obvious affection for one another that is not extreme and also by being consistent with the children; by not discounting the reprimanding of the other parent and then particularly in dealing with the child when the child comes to the parent with a sexual problem, and the children are always discovering either by themselves or someone else, and too often the parents will be actually horrified by the subject and even the first part they will not listen. And, I might mention in that respect that frequently the mother is involved in the listening and the father will often just take a walk out of the room.

Q. And that is particularly true if they have a homosexual encounter and the father, as you said before, shuns the very word and does not want to discuss it at home?

A. (Doctor): Yes.

Q. And it would be particularly true that many of the fathers when they are needed the most at a time like that don't come through.

A. (Doctor): Yes.

Q. A big responsibility is there, isn't that so?

A. (Doctor): Yes.

Q. Doctor, can you give us any early signs of recognition that a parent can tell in a child so that they can bring them to the family physician for first treatment?

A. (Doctor): Well, actually going back to your previous question. If there is a great deal of warmth in the household the child will talk about the sexual encounter and the problem appears to be a minor one. Actually just the listening process will dissipate the problem. If there is what the parent considers a persistent, not over a long period of time, then they should actually consult the family physician because it may be a very difficult subject upon which they actually can give specific advise.

Q. And this at the start of the treatment?

A. Yes.

Q. Doctor, I want to thank you very much for your cooperation.

[redacted] In a few moments you will meet a member of the MATTACHINE SOCIETY.

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Q. Name, please?

A. [redacted] CURTIS White [Pseudonym]

Q. Age, [redacted]

A. 22.

Q. Occupation?

A. I am an office worker.

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Q. Are you a homosexual, [redacted]

A. Yes.

Q. When did you first realize that you were?

A. In my early teens.

Q. In considering the fact that your homosexuality has presented a great many personality problems to you?

A. No. I don't believe that homosexuality is the most important thing to me. Most of my daily contacts are heterosexual and I learned to adjust both my homosexual and my heterosexual contacts.

Q. So it has not caused you many personality problems or social problems in your mind, is that it?

A. No. Not at all.

Q. Have you any record of arrests?

A. No.

Q. Should it be possible either through psychotherapy or through some physical treatment for you to be transformed into a heterosexual, would you desire that treatment?

A. I'll answer that personally no.

Q. Personally no. Do you consider homosexuality abnormal?

A. No. Homosexuality has always existed. I think that society is going to have to realize this and realize that we are a part of society.

Q. Do you know anything about the Mattachine Society?

A. Yes. I am a member.

Q. And you are appearing tonight in CONFIDENTIAL FILE as a spokesman for the Mattachine Society, is that correct?

A. Yes.

Q. For what purpose was the Mattachine organized?

A. It was organized for the elimination of sexual discrimination both in the law and in society.

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Q. And by what means do you think you will achieve these ends, [redacted]

A. This should be done through the evolutionary processes of education, research, discussion groups and that sort of thing which will help us and society to learn the problems of the sex variant.

Q. How did the Mattachine come into existence?

A. The Mattachine movement began in Los Angeles about four years ago, and we all formed the present society last year.

Q. Is it a formal organization?

A. Yes. We received our incorporation papers from the State of California in March of this year.

Q. What is the membership of the Mattachine?

A. I would say approximately 160.

Q. Are there branches in other cities?

A. Yes. We have several branches or chapters as we call them in the principal cities in the United States.

Q. And, who is eligible for membership in this organization?

A. We would welcome anyone for membership over 21 years of age, both heterosexual and homosexual who is interested in the problems of the sex variant.

Q. You have non-homosexual members now?

A. Yes. Some of our most active members are heterosexual.

Q. What is your feeling about the notorious bars and gathering places of the homosexual, [redacted]

A. The Mattachine Society does not condone improper actions in any place at any time. However, if you are going to take away these gay bars you are going to put the people on the streets. If you are going to take away something you've got to put something better in its place.

Q. Isn't it true though that these places are avenues for recruiting or attracting recruits to homosexuality?

A. Actually I don't think I know enough about that situation. However, it is something that I think merits looking into.

Q. Looking into by your organization, is that what you mean?

A. Yes. We would like very much to study that thing.

Q. I think the Police Department is studying it now too.

A. Yes.

Q. Has the Mattachine Society any political affiliation?

A. No. None at all.

Q. I would like to ask you, does your family know that you are a homosexual?

A. They didn't until tonight.

Q. Do you think they are likely to learn about your homosexuality as a result of this program?

A. I am almost certain they will, and I am quite certain that I will probably lose my job as a result of this program too.

Q. Then may I ask you under the circumstances, under the general circumstances, why did you agree to appear on this program?

A. I hope that through these means I can be of some use to someone else other than myself.

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Q. I want to thank you very much for your cooperation.

A. You are quite welcome.

Coates: There is one more person I want you to hear from on the subject of homosexuality. I want the younger viewers, the teenagers who may be looking in to pay particular attention to what he says.

Q. May I have your name, please.

A. CHARLES STANLEY.

Q. Your age, Mr. Stanley?

A. 49.

Q. Your occupation?

A. I am a captain of police assigned to the command of the Administrative Vice division, Los Angeles Police.

Q. Captain, I would like to ask you how you feel about the notorious homosexual hangouts in this city?

A. Well, I feel that they offer opportunity for contact between the numerous unattached young men that we find in this city with the homosexual. Quite often this will develop into a situation that causes us a particularly serious problem. These unattached young men will find that many of these homosexuals will give them financial aid and as a result as these young men are not too strong morally to begin with they develop into professional blackmailers extorting money from this type of person.

Q. And the already well developed blackmailer, I would imagine, seeks out these gathering places as a good place to do business?

A. Yes. He feels that is a fertile field for victims of his extortion.

Q. I would like to ask you how about these bars that are recruiting depots for homosexuality?
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A. I believe/they are. If the individual has the latent potentialities of the homosexual it certainly will give him the opportunity for those to develop.

Q. What can the police do about this?

A. We carry on a continual program of enforcement against these notorious gathering places and their patrons by making arrests and attempting to secure the cancellation or suspension of their liquor

licensees. In some cases we even attempt to invoke the Red Light Abatement Act. In one case during the past year the District Attorney did abate one notorious location with the cooperation of our department.

Q. Captain, I saved this portion of the program for any of the teenagers looking in. I want, if you will, to have you give just a straight talk about how to handle this homosexual problem if they are faced with it.

A. Well, I believe the best advice I can give if any young man or boy receives any overtures from a person that would lead him to believe that they are being accosted by a homosexual is to get away from that person and report to some responsible adult immediately and then as soon as possible afterward report it to the police.

Q. And, will you tell some of these kids looking in where some of the danger spots for homosexual contacts are in our city?

A. Well, some of the theaters, some of the public parks, public rest rooms particularly are dangerous spots.

Q. What about the problem of hitchhiking? These kids who hitchhike from school?

A. We receive many complaints that have arisen from such a situation. Quite often it will be, well, not quite often, but in some cases it will be involved with an assault particularly where it is in a remote area of some sort. I would advise the young fellows not to hitchhike, particularly alone.

Q. I think it might be important to point out too, Captain, and you correct me if I am wrong, that there are an awful lot of molesting charges that result from this hitchhiking problem that never make the newspapers because they involve teenage boys who don't get into any serious trouble but leave the experience terribly confused after running away, let's say, running away from the car, and this is a dangerous problem that we have to live with for the rest of our lives.

A. That is true. That is true. There is a great deal of reticence on the part of most people to report this sort of thing.

Q. Your advice to these kids then is not to hitchhike?

A. That is right.

Q. Captain, one more question. The usual concept of the homosexual is that he is an effeminate, peculiarly weak person, in your experience is this an accurate concept?

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A. It is not. Of course there are a number of these persons who fit into that description but many of the persons who come in contact with the police department as a result of their homosexuality are better than average or even fine specimens of physical make-up and some are a very rugged type.

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[REDACTED] I want to thank you very much [REDACTED] for your cooperation tonight, and I hope the kids take your advice.

A. Thank you.

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The Co-ordinating Council are the elected officers of the General Convention. It is authorized by the constitution to act as the governing body between sessions of the General Convention.

The Area Council is composed of elected delegates from each Chapter. It is responsible for all matters pertaining to problems within it's area. It acts as a liaison body between the chapter and the Co-ordinating Council.

A Chapter is the basic structural unit of the Society. It is composed of four or more duly initiated members. It has full autonomy within the limits of the preamble of the Constitution, by-laws, and resolutions of the General Convention.

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The purpose of the organization is to further acceptance and belief in homosexuals, to sponsor Medical, Social and Pathological research and publish the results, and to promote educational programs through radio, television, etc., and promote sex equality.

The Constitution of the Mattachine Society was adopted May 24, 1953, and amended Nov. 15, 1953. The Preamble reads as follows:

"We, the members of the Mattachine Society, believing in sexual equality, in full awareness of our social obligations as members of the human community, hold it necessary that the priceless integrity and freedom of the individual be forever maintained in our society; and, whereas the present laws of many lands are discriminatory; and, whereas we are resolved that all people shall find such equality; and whereas we desire to spread knowledge of the aims and aspirations of this Society through mutual education of its membership and of society."

Article I, Section 2, states that the Society shall be composed of persons 21 years of age or older, who are duly initiated members of a Chartered Chapter. Section 3, states a person shall be admitted membership regardless of race, color or creed. Section 4 states, no provision shall be made to destroy the anonymity of any member without his permission.

The By-laws state that honorary members dues shall be none; Fellow members, \$50.00 per year; Associate members, \$36.00 per year; Active members, \$2.00 per month. Dues from active and associate members shall be distributed in the following manner: 30% to the Co-ordinating Council; 30% to the Area Council; 40% to the Chapter. The monthly dues for members in out of State chapters, shall be \$2.00 allocated as follows: 50% to the Chapter; 50% to the Co-ordinating Council.

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Confidential and reliable information from Source [] indicates that there are as of this date, approximately 200 initiated members of the Mattachine Society in the United States. There are approximately 100 un-initiated members who are in correspondence with the Society. These un-initiated members have formed Chapters, but as yet, are not recognized by the convention. There are approximately 100 initiated members of the Society in the Los Angeles Area. Most of the members are homosexuals but this is not necessary for membership in the Society.

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Source [] gave information that the Mattachine Society Inc., held at SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., a convention, on May 15, 16, 1954. The Convention was held in the Auditorium of the American Friends Service Committee Center, 1839 Sutter St., San Francisco.

The Chairman of the convention was KENNETH BURNS, who resides at []. He was elected as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Mattachine Society.

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The Vice-Chairman of the Southern Area Council, (which includes Los Angeles, Long Beach, and other principle Cities in this area), was MARTHA HOLCOMB, who is described as female white. []

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The Vice-Chairman of the Northern Area Council, was JOHN MC ARTHUR, a building contractor in San Francisco, who was also elected at this convention.

Others elected were:

DALE OLSON, [redacted] Secretary for the Board of Directors, for recording and correspondence.

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ANN WILLIAMS, [redacted] Treasurer for the Board of Directors.

HAL CALL, [redacted] Chairman of Publica-
tions Committee.

JO CARSON, (of San Francisco), Chairman of Legislative Committee.

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FRANK PARKHURST, [redacted], Chairman of Legal Committee.

Note: An Attorney actually heads the Legal Committee, and represents the Mattachine Society in it's legal activity, although not a member of the Society. His name is HERBERT E. SELWYN.

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RONALD BROOKHART, [redacted] Chairman of Public Relations.

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The Chairman of the convention, KEN BURNS, made several pertinent statements to the delegates. Among them were: "Administrative policies (of the Society) must be carried out as there has been too much laxness in the organization." "Unfavorable publicity by Confidential Magazine and others about the Mattachine Society, must be controlled." "The Society wants a magazine of their own, and will probably have a monthly magazine in about two months." (Note: This magazine will probably be printed in the print shop [redacted] San Francisco, or Oakland.) "A careful selection must be made of members and they must have the Society in mind and not subversives or Communists, etc."

The business of the Mattachine Society as conducted at the convention, included adoption of some by-laws, adoption of the Pledge of the Society, and other pertinent matters. The above mentioned Attorney, HERBERT E. SELWYN, gave an address to the group on Saturday, May 15, in the evening. Selwyn told how the Society has strided in the year and of their accomplishments. He said he was happy they had accomplished so much. The Society has made strides toward having the Vag-lewd law (P.C. 647.5) changed. He talked about the SLADE case, and if necessary would take it to the Supreme Court, in order to show entrapment on the part of L.A. Police Officers, and of the unconstitutionality of P.C. 647.5. He stated that the Society could not take several cases because of finances, and that in some cases they did not benefit the Society as a whole. If the Vag-lewd law was revised, it would benefit the whole Society in general.

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The following information is from Source [redacted] regarding various known members of the Mattachine Society, and of activities regarding Chapters:

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[redacted] also present at the above meeting.

[redacted] attended Society meeting at the Borderline Cafe, on 4-20-54, and also on 5-7-54. This Chapter is called 102.

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KENNETH BURNS, (Listed on Page 2, of this report as Chairman of convention) was present at meetings on 4-20-54 and 5-7-54 of Chapter 102. Society "News Letter" for So. Area Council is printed in his home.

[redacted] was present at meetings on 4-20-54 and 5-7-54.

[redacted] (First name unknown), [redacted] was present at both meetings listed above of Chapter 102. He is helping to start a new Chapter.

Information indicates that movies are shown and talks given to the members at the various chapter meetings. The movies are rented from the L.A. Public Library. Among movies shown at Chapter 102 were:

"The Challenge", about Civil rights.

"Does It Matter What You Think", a propaganda film.

"Name Unknown", a warning against sex criminals.

Other movies to be shown:

"The High Wall", regarding racial prejudice.

"Don't Be A Sucker", a cartoon propaganda film.

"In The Park", A Charlie Chaplin short.

"Let's Go To The MOVIES", scenes from old movies.

"The Supreme Court", a short documentary film.

These films were mostly produced by Allied Artists.

Information indicates that San Diego has 2 Chapters, but as yet, has not been recognized by the Convention. This will probably take place at the next convention held in Los Angeles or Hollywood in approximately 6 months. There are 2 Chapters pending in Houston, Texas, and 1 in Galveston, Texas. New York City has several Chapters pending.

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~~AMON R. SHIBLEY is alleged to be the active leader of the Mattachine Society and is attempting to move into the Houston, Texas area.~~

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Former residences of Atty. Shibley:

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~~Subject claims to have been an attorney in California for over 16 years. He served 1 year in U.S. Army.~~

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According to a news clipping of Jan 26, 1954, in the Long Beach Independent Press Telegram, subject was sentenced by Fed. Judge Ben Harrison to one year for conspiracy to steal Government Records, and three years for receiving stolen Government records; however at present (5-26-54) both of above mentioned cases are on appeal and have not as yet been heard by the Appellate Court. Case No.s are 22672 and 22947.

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~~Information from a confidential and reliable source indicates that~~

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Information received from the office of the Secretary of State, Sacramento, Calif. on 5-24-54, Sec. of State File #273698, MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC.

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It is listed as a California Corporation, chartered April 27, 1953.
It's principles are:

DEWITT, T. CAMPBELL, 1206 Warren St., San Fernando, Calif.

MARGARET N. HAY, 3132 Oakcrest Dr., Los Angeles.

ROMAYNE COX, 1416 Warren St., San Fernando, Calif.

It's operations were to publish, sponsor, scientific research and rehabilitate homosexuals. Background: On Nov. 2, 1953, a certificate of election was filed to dissolve this corporation by IBANEZ & SNIDER, Attorneys, 6425 Hollywood Blvd., L.A. No final certificate has been filed, therefore Corporation still active.

The office of the Secretary of State, Sacramento, Calif., on 5-25-54, gave the following information on file #284348:

The MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC., a California non-profit corporation, chartered 3-23-54.

Principals:

KEN BURNS, 1123 W. 42nd St., L.A.

FRANK A. PARKHURST, 1821 Beverly Blvd., L.A.

JOHN LOY, 1513 N. Hoover, L.A.

JIM LATTA, 4245 E. 5th St., Long Beach.

HAROLD L. GALL, 786 Geary St., San Francisco.

The purpose of this organization is as listed on page 2 of this report.

Note: P.O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, Calif., which is listed as the mailing address for the MATTACHINE SOCIETY.

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NEWS LETTER

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THE ATTACHEE SOCIETY INC. P.O. BOX 1925 LOS ANGELES 53 CALIFORNIA

"SPECIAL NOTICE"

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Dr. Evelyn Hooker has requested all persons who took the test given by her last summer, to contact her at once. Dr. Hooker especially wants the people whose code numbers are listed above. Some of the people who took the test are not members, if you know any of these people please contact them as soon as possible. Call Dr. Hooker before 10:00 A.M. or after 6:00 P.M. at Arizona 3-8562 to make your appointment. The address is 400 South Saltair Ave. Los Angeles 49.

NEW OFFICES OF L.A. AREA COUNCIL

The L.A. Area Council has rented a new office located at 357 Belmont Ave. Just around the corner from Temple Street and Belmont. Plenty of parking space and a fairly nice neighborhood. Also a private entrance which will eliminate having someone to let you in or out in the evening. Yes, it needs a lot of work, but it has privacy and we can come and go as we please. Any furniture or drapes, paint or anything appropriate for an office is welcome.

Prepare for Blood Bank Party this month. Date to be announced.

"GIVE TO SAVE A LIFE"

NEW L.A. AREA COUNCIL FORMED

The election of new officers for the L.A. Area Council was held on May 28th. The incoming officers have quite a job ahead of them. Although some of the offices are filled, there remains the office of Vice-Chairman and Treasurer to be filled. The new Chairman seems to be highly competent in his new position, as is also the new Secretary. As Society members you should go to at least one Area Council or Board of Directors meeting. It is your duty.

Please return legal Dossier forms with as much information as is available.

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THE EDITOR'S DESK

The Los Angeles Area Council at their first meeting after the General Convention, elected new officers, one of their first duties was to appoint a PUBLICATIONS UNIT. It is not a committee in a strict sense of the word, rather a group of people who have offered their services when needed. This is not a new idea of the Area Publications Group, but in view of the new methods being employed at all levels of the Society it was felt this would create more interest in this publication. If you as a member or merely an interested party, have any constructive criticism to offer please do not hesitate to do so. As so often happens, your Editor knows nothing about "Editing". However all ideas are welcome. Thank you.

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"HELP WANTED"

This is your News Letter there cannot be anything printed that is not submitted to your Publications Unit first. If you have recently read a good book you would recommend to your friends, write a review of it and submit it to us. Any news of Plays, Concerts, Lectures or Art Shows would be of interest to all.

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The Chicago, San Diego and San Francisco Bay Area have not been heard from since the Convention. However reports should be in the next issue that will be of interest to everyone. Please remember that two of these areas are newly formed. The only reason you received any news from the Long Beach Area, is that your Editor was among the visitors at their second Area Council meeting.

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SUBMIT YOUR NEWS ITEMS BY THE 5TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH.....

CONVENTION NOTES

In these days of change and reformation it is difficult to see our future as a smoothly running organization. A few of us however are able to see that "ORDER IS

BORN OF CONFUSION".

There can be no growth without pain, or betterment without hard work. We all feel this, especially now after just experiencing a very successful convention. It was truly an experience. It was apparent to all

that the well planned organization of that Convention was a milestone in the history of the growth of the Society. If the Society can continue to forge ahead in this same spirit there are no obstacles it cannot overcome. We would like at this time to extend a vote of appreciation to our San Francisco friends for being such wonderful hosts. It made the Convention an occasion that will be long remembered by all who attended from the Southern Area. Thanks again to our many friends who succeeded in making this Convention a memorable one.

LONG BEACH AREA

Charters 102 and 113 having just been granted Area Status by the General Convention are busy setting up the policies for their area. The 2nd meeting of the Long Beach Area Council was attended by a number of visitors from the Los Angeles Area, including two members of the Board of Directors. Butch and John have their hands full organizing this area, but everyone is confident they will have it running smoothly very soon, with the more than adequate help they have in the Long Beach area.

REMEMBER--You wont miss 1 pint of Blood--Someone who needs it will!!

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CHAPTER NEWS

103-- Is in the process of developing the functional activities of the Chapter. New policies are being written and things are smoothing out nicely. This Chapter is ready for action in the coming year.

104-- Lack of interest in this important chapter has forced a temporary merger with Chapter 106. Everyone should realize how important Research is to the Society. If you are interested in any phase of Research please contact the Chairman (Jo) by calling VA 1221 or CI 4-1305 in the evening.

105--Continues to do its good deeds quietly and efficiently as always. No outstanding news item or items have been turned in for publication at this time. Maybe next month?

106--This Chapter is growing by leaps and bounds, there is every indication that our recent publicity on T.V. and "One" magazine is responsible. This Chapter is also planning a number of Social Events this summer. Watch your news letter for dates.

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COMING EVENTS

LEGAL CHAPTER 103
6026 Barton Ave. Hollywood-8 P.M.
Call HO 7-9232 or VA 1221.
Meetings called for the 7th & 21st.

RESEARCH CHAPTER 104
Meets with Chapter 106

ALPHA CHAPTER 105
July 21st. Dr. Hooker to speak
on "Research on Homosexuality".
Call VA1221 for the address.

DISCUSSION GROUP CHAPTER 106
July 1st. Review of late Magazine article This should be of interest to all.

July 15th. Questions & Answers.

August 5th. "Musical Contrasts"

1101½ S. Grand View, L.A. 8 P.M.
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ORIENTATION MEETING

The Orientation Meeting is regularly held on the 1st Friday of each month. This month it will be held July 16, due to moving and re-decorating the new office. The following meetings will be held as regularly scheduled.

12 IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

WHERE DID IT BEGIN ?

Several years ago, a small group of people in Los Angeles formed the nucleus of the present society. It was formally organized in April 1953, when a constitutional convention provided for national expansion of the organization.

WHAT IS THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY ?

It is an organization of persons who are interested in the problems of the sex-variant, and the solution of that problem.

WHY WAS IT FORMED ?

For the education, integration of the sex deviate, for the education of society at large, to correct those misconceptions, bigotries, and prejudices resulting from lack of accurate information.

HOW CAN THIS BE ACHIEVED ?

To this end, The Mattachine Society, sponsors psychological and medical research, educational programs, and is actively affiliated with civic organizations and universities.

IS IT AN ORGANIZATION OF HOMOSEXUALS EXCLUSIVELY ?

Emphatically NO ! All persons —men and women alike— who are over 21 years of age and interested in the problem and its solution are invited to give cooperation and support. This is not an organization attempting to create a Homosexual Society, But rather an organization seeking the integration of the Sex variant as a responsible and acceptable citizen in the community.

WHAT ARE DISCUSSION GROUPS ?

They are meetings open to the public, and are sponsored by a chapter in your area, a part of the public relations and educational program of the society. For the purpose of accurately informing interested persons of the existence of the Society, and for public discussion of topics related to this social problem.

WHAT ARE CHAPTERS ?

Chapters are the basic membership organizational unit. They sponsor and conduct discussion groups, research programs, study legal aspects, raise funds through dues and other activities in order to accomplish various projects in furtherance of the aims of the Society.

WHAT IS THE SOCIETY'S ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE ?

In addition to chapters, an area council is formed to coordinate activities of chapters in each locality. It is composed of elected representatives from each chapter. Above this a coordinating council is elected to guide and channel the activities of the whole society. The officers of the coordinating council are elected by the General Convention, which is the supreme governing body of the Society. Delegates are democratically elected by a vote of chapter members, to the General Convention. The number of delegates is determined on the basis of chapter membership.

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CAN I REMAIN ANONYMOUS ?

No one is required to give his full name to the society, no membership lists are kept, not because the activities of the society are subversive or illegal, but solely because we realize that in view of widespread prejudice yet to be overcome, the general welfare of some persons could be damaged were it commonly known that they were either sympathetic or active participants in an organization of this kind. Historically, we are reminded that the early christians --- now held in the highest esteem --- were required to maintain anonymity for their own preservation.

HOW MAY I PARTICIPATE ?

Informally : by attending discussion groups, ; contributions of financial aid, ; generally aiding the program by disseminating accurate information concerning the sex variant.
Formally : by becoming an actual dues-paying member of the society itself. This means working on committees, projects and other activities, in furtherance of the aims and principals of the Society. Any group of 4 or more persons may apply for recognition as a chartered chapter of the Society, providing they subscribe to the constitution, by-laws and acknowledge the aims and principals for which the society was formed.

HOW DOES THE MATTACHINE FEEL ABOUT POLITICS ?

Politically, the Mattachine Society is non-partisan. We espouse no "isms", and offer in supporting evidence the following resolution adopted by the first constitutional convention of May 1953

CAN I REMAIN ANONYMOUS ?
Whereas this organization is neither political nor sectarian, and whereas we believe that our group can only achieve the social integration which it seeks within the framework of a free society; and Whereas we find it especially significant that the most brutal and restrictive laws against homosexuality occur in those countries, like Russia, where the freedom of the individual is most severely limited and Whereas those who attack the basic freedom of the individual in this country, both of the extreme right and the extreme left, have been the most bitter enemies of the homosexual, We therefore resolve : to pledge ourselves to fight racial, religious and sexual discrimination within and outside the organization.

HOW MAY I OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION ?

Write to the Society at any one of these addresses :

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 195
LOS ANGELES 53 - CALIFORNIA

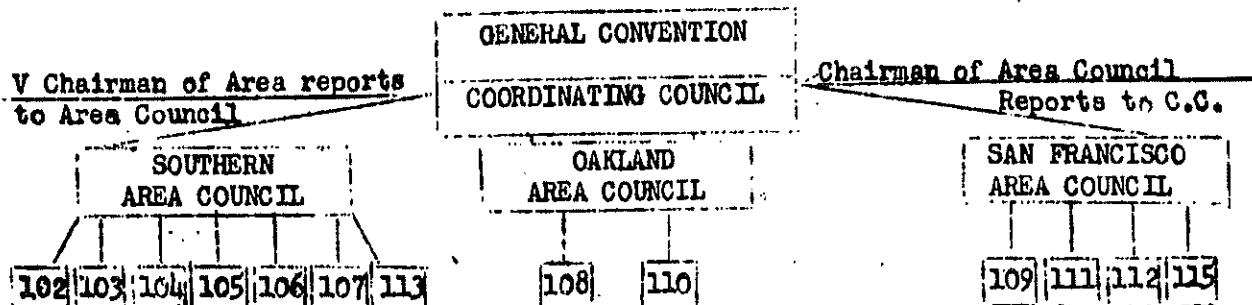
THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 259
SAN FRANCISCO 4 - CALIF.

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 051
OAKLAND 4 - CALIFORNIA

Or you may phone VANDIKE 1221 - LOS ANGELES, ask for MATTACHINE.

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STRUCTURE OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY



WHO GOVERNS THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY ?

It is governed by the General Convention. The General Convention sets the policy and proposed program for each semi-annual period.

WHAT IS THE COORDINATING COUNCIL ?

The Coordinating Council are the elected officers of the General Convention. It is authorized, by the constitution, to act as the governing body between sessions of the General Convention.

WHAT IS AN AREA COUNCIL ?

The Area Council is composed of elected delegates from each Chapter. It is responsible for all matters pertaining to problems within its area. It acts as a liaison body between the chapter and the Coordinating Council.

WHAT IS A CHAPTER ?

A chapter is the basic structural unit of the Society. It is composed of 4 or more duly initiated members. It has full autonomy within the limits of the Preamble, Constitution, By-laws and Resolutions of the General Convention.

WHAT IS A DISCUSSION GROUP ?

It is a public relations project which is not officially affiliated with the Society. Chapters usually sponsor discussion groups as a public relations and educational project, for the purpose of accurately informing interested persons of the aims and principles of the Mattachine Society.

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NOW HERE'S HOW IT WORKS —— Each Chapter elects its officers from its membership, A Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and 2 delegates to represent it at Area Council. These two delegates join the Area Council in discussion of Chapter and Area problems. They carry information to and from Chapter and Area Council. The Area Council elects officers from its membership. The Chairman of the Area Council represents the Area at the Coordinating Council level. He reports all actions and problems from Chapters and Area to the Coordinating Council. This means that once each month you are represented to the Area and Coordinating Council levels, in a democratic manner, by persons elected by you.

BUT WHAT ABOUT THE GENERAL CONVENTION —— Meeting twice each year, it is composed of delegates elected by you. As per the constitution you are permitted 1 delegate for each 5 members of your Chapter. The General Convention elects the officers of the Coordinating Council. Each term is for 1 year. The officers are Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Chairmen of Standing Committees (Research, Legislative, Publications) and a Vice-Chairman of each Area Council. Together these elected members compose the Coordinating Council.

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ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

1. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP shall be proposed by a member of the Society and endorsed by ten members and two-thirds of the Area Councils, following which the recommendation must be submitted to the Coordinating Council for consideration. If elected, the convention shall confer the Honorary Membership in an appropriate manner.
2. FELLOWSHIP shall be proposed and elected in the same manner as Honorary Membership, except that the endorsement of only five additional members and a majority of the Area Councils is required.
3. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP shall be proposed and elected by the Chapter in accordance with its By-laws. Associate members shall not be required to attend more than one Chapter meeting annually.
4. ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP shall be proposed and elected by the Chapter and members shall attend meetings in accordance with Chapter By-laws.
5. SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP may be granted by a majority vote of the Coordinating Council on acceptance of a noteworthy contribution made by such person, corporation or an organization.

ARTICLE II - DUES AND OTHER MONIES

1. Dues shall be as follows:

Honoray Member.....none
Fellow.....	\$50.00 per year
Associate Member.....	\$36.00 per year
Active Member.....	\$ 2.00 per month
2. Dues from Active and Associate members shall be distributed in the following manner: 30% to the Coordinating Council
30% to the Area Council
40% to the Chapter

Dues from all other members shall be forwarded in full to the Coordinating Council. All monies collected or donated for a given purpose shall be turned over by the collecting agent to the Treasurer of the Coordinating Council for proper disbursement unless notification of such collections and disbursements can be handled in due course by the responsible Chapter or Area Council. All other money collected by the Chapter shall be turned over to the Chapter treasurer to be distributed in the same manner as active members dues above.
3. The monthly dues for members in out-of-state Chapters shall be \$2.00 allocated as follows: 50% to the Chapter
50% to the Coordinating Council
until such time as an Area Council is established, when the distribution of dues and other monies shall be on the same basis as Section 2 of this Article.

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4. In the case of Fellows or Associates, dues shall become payable in advance, and shall become due and payable on the first day of July of each and every year. A statement for such dues shall be mailed to Fellows by the Coordinating Council Secretary, and to Associates by the Chapter Secretary at least thirty days before the date due. A receipt shall be mailed upon payment thereof.
5. Members initiated after the fifteenth of the month shall pay one-half monthly dues for that month.
6. When dues are three months in arrears, the members shall be placed on the suspended list and carried as such for a period of three months, and if the dues are still unpaid, such member, upon notice shall be dropped for non-payment; and the dues in arrears shall be stricken from the treasury. Suspended members shall not be considered as members in the determination of Delegates to the general convention. (See Article II, Section 6a, of the Constitution).
7. Members dropped by the Chapter for non-payment of dues may be reinstated by the Chapter by majority vote after full payment of dues in arrears.

ARTICLE III - CHAPTER

1. The Chairman shall be responsible for the conduct of all Chapter meetings and the coordination of Chapter activities.
2. The Secretary shall be responsible for the transcription of the minutes of the Chapter and any other special meetings for which the Chapter is responsible and shall forward copies of the same as well as copies of all publications, forms, etc., and the revision of the same to the Area Council and Coordinating Council as soon as possible. The Secretary shall also be responsible for the handling of the correspondence of the Chapter.
3. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the collection, dispersal, and remittance of the funds to the Society; for the preparation of financial statements and other bookkeeping related to the Chapter treasury.
4. The Chapter reserves the right to recall any officer at any time who in the opinion of two-thirds vote of the entire membership fails to uphold the duties of his office.
5. A vacant office shall be filled by election of the Chapter not more than one month following such vacancy.
6. When four persons have formed a Chapter by the election of officers, membership shall be determined by majority vote of the Chapter members.
7. The Chapter shall hold no social meeting which is reprehensible in the eyes of society. When in doubt, the Chapter shall consult the Coordinating Council.
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8. The Chapter or Area Council shall not issue any public statement involving a policy of the Society or purporting to have the approval of the Society without first securing the written consent of the Coordinating Council except in the case of a direct quotation from an officially adopted and published statement of policy or other official document of the Society. No policy shall be considered official until adopted by the general convention.

ARTICLE IV - AREA COUNCIL

1. The quarterly financial report shall be due March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31 of each year.
2. Copies of all minutes, publications, forms, etc. and the revision of the same shall be forwarded to the Coordinating Council.

ARTICLE V - COORDINATING COUNCIL

1. The Coordinating Council shall have the power to authorize the establishment of an Area Council upon petition of two or more Chapters within areas established by the Coordinating Council.
2. The Coordinating Council shall have the power to suspend an Area Council by three-fourths vote at any time when the Area Council fails to uphold the stated Aims and Principles of the Society, the Constitution, By-laws, and Resolutions of the general convention.
3. The Coordinating Council shall assume the duties, obligations and position of an Area Council in the absence of the same.
4. Subject to confirmation by succeeding conventions, the Coordinating Council may establish such committees without vote as it deems necessary.

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS

1. At each semi-annual or regular meetings of the Society, the general order of business shall be as follows:
 - a. Remarks or address of the Chairman of the Coordinating Council and Chairmen of the Area Councils.
 - b. Report of the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries.
 - c. Report of the Treasurer.
 - d. Reports of Committees.
 - e. Chartering of Chapters.
 - f. Results of Elections.
 - g. Unfinished Business.
 - h. New Business.

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2. Upon the request of any Delegate a roll call vote by Chapters may be demanded at the convention.
3. Roberts Rules of Order shall guide the business meetings of the Society.

ARTICLE VII - ELECTIONS OF COORDINATING COUNCIL OFFICERS

1. The Nominating Committee shall accept nominations from the membership of the Society and shall publicize such nominations to the membership of the Society thirty days before the convention. The Nominating Committee may make no nominations itself, and the committee shall be composed of one member elected by each Area Council.
2. A name shall be placed on the ballot when a petition signed by ten members has been received by the Nominating Committee not later than forty-five days before convention.
3. Any vacancies occurring among the officers or elected membership of the Coordinating Council may be officially filled for the unexpired term by action of the Coordinating Council.

AIMS & PRINCIPALS

EDUCATION :

Education of the general public so as to give them a better understanding concerning sex variation, so that all persons may be accepted as individuals for their own worth and not blindly condemned for their emotional make-up : to correct general misconceptions, Bigotries, and prejudices resulting from lack of accurate information regarding sex variants.

Education of the homosexuals themselves so that they may better understand not only the causes and conditions of sexual variation, but formulate an adjustment and pattern of behavior that is acceptable to society in general, and compatible with recognized institutions of a moral and civilized society with respect for the sanctity of home, church, and state.

INTEGRATION :

Since deviates desire acceptance into society, it behooves them to assume community responsibility. They should, as individuals, actively affiliate with community endeavors, such as civic and welfare organizations, religious institutions, and exercise their rights as citizens, instead of attempting to withdraw into an invert society of their own. For only as they make positive contributions to the general welfare can they expect acceptance into the communities in which they live.

The long term aim is not only to support well-adjusted deviates with full integration into society, but to give special aid to maladjusted homosexuals, for their own welfare as well as that of the community.

SOCIAL ACTION :

To secure the active cooperation and support of existing institutions such as psychology departments of universities : state and city welfare groups : mental hygiene departments in pursuing the programs of education and integration.

To contact legislators regarding both existing discriminatory statutes and proposed revisions and additions to the criminal code in keeping with the findings of leading psychiatrists, so that the laws may be promulgated with respect to a realistic attitude toward the behavior of human beings.

To eliminate widespread discrimination in the fields of employment, professions and society, as well as to attain personal social acceptance among the respectable members of any community.

To dispel the idea that the sex variant is unique, "queer" or unusual, but is instead a human being with the same capacities of feeling, thinking and accomplishment as any other human being.

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To accomplish these aims in a law-abiding manner. Homosexuals are not seeking to overthrow or destroy any of society's existing institutions or laws. But to be assimilated as constructive, valuable and responsible citizens. Accepted democratic processes are to be relied upon as the technique for accomplishing this program.

We oppose indecent public behavior, and particularly excommunicate those who attempt to use force or violence upon any other person whatsoever.

Although the Mattachine Society is a non-sectarian organization and is not affiliated with any political organization, It will not tolerate use of itself or its name for any subversive political activity or reprehensible

More information may be obtained by writing to THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, ENCL (3)
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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY: (Con'd) III

Section 4d: The Area Council may temporarily suspend Chapter Charters subject to ratification by the general convention.

Section 4f: In the event of a revocation of a Chapter charter by the general convention, the treasury of the Chapter shall revert to the treasury of the Area Council.

Section 4g: In the event of the temporary suspension of a Chapter charter, the Chapter treasury shall be held in trust by the treasurer of the Area Council pending the decision of the next general convention.

Section 4h: Each Area Council is charged with the responsibility of reporting conditions and/or violations within its Area to Coordinating Council to be acted upon subject to ratification of the general convention.

Section 5: Each Area Council shall meet not less than once a month.

Section 6: A majority vote of all Area Councils may call such special general conventions as may be required.

ARTICLE V:

Section 1: A Chapter shall consist of not less than four duly initiated members.

Section 2: Each Chapter shall elect a Chairman, a Secretary, a Treasurer and Delegates to the Area Council.

Section 3: The Treasurer shall send a monthly financial report and appropriation of funds to the Area Council.

Section 4: The Chapter shall have full autonomy within the limits of the Preamble, the Constitution, and By-laws adopted by the general convention.

Section 5: The Chapter shall have regularly scheduled meetings not less than once a month unless circumstances prevent.

Section 6: Any member of the Society may be expelled by action of his own Chapter by at least a two-thirds vote for refusing to abide by the Constitution, or the By-laws and the Resolutions of the Society, or the By-laws of the Area Council or Chapter subject to appeal to the Area Council, Coordinating Council, or general convention.

ARTICLE VI:

The Constitution may be amended at any general convention by a two-thirds vote of the convention.

Adopted: May 24, 1953
Amended: Nov. 15, 1953

ARTICLE III:

Section 1: The Coordinating Council shall be composed of the officers elected by the General Convention, the Chairman of the Area Councils, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees with the exception of the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, and shall be the governing body of the Society between conventions.

Section 2: The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer of the General Convention shall be the Executive Secretary, Vice-Chairman, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer of the Coordinating Council.

Section 3a: The Coordinating Council shall correlate and coordinate reports and activities of all Area Councils and all of its policies, activities, and utterances shall be subject to review by the General Convention and subject to such action it deems necessary.

Section 3b: The Coordinating Council shall record Chapter affiliations within Area Councils.

Section 3c: The Coordinating Council shall call the semi-annual convention.

Section 3d: The Coordinating Council shall meet not less than once every three months.

ARTICLE IV:

Section 1: Each Area Council shall include at least one delegate from each Chapter within the Area. Beyond this, each Area Council shall determine its own composition and structure.

Section 2: Whenever two or more Chapters are formed in a distinct or contiguous metropolitan or similar geographical area, they may form an Area Council and apply to Coordinating Council for its recognition, subject to ratification by general convention.

Section 3: The treasurer or comparable officer shall send a quarterly financial report and appropriation of funds to the Coordinating Council.

Section 4a: The Area Council shall act upon all legal problems affecting the general membership within its area.

Section 4b: The Area Council shall implement the activities of the Society serving the needs of the locality.

Section 4c: The Area Council shall grant Chapter charters subject to ratification by the general convention and may give an official reprimand to any Chapter in lieu of suspension of Chapter charter if this is deemed by the Area Council to be in the best interest of the Society.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY

PREAMBLE

WE, the members of the Mattachine Society, believing in sexual equality, in full awareness of our social obligations as members of the human community, hold it necessary that the priceless integrity and freedom of the individual be forever maintained in our society; and, whereas the present laws of many lands are discriminatory; and, whereas we are resolved that all people shall find such equality; and whereas we desire to spread knowledge of the aims and aspirations of this Society through mutual education of its membership and of society,
WE, therefore, hereby resolve:

ARTICLE I:

- Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the Mattachine Society.
- Section 2: The Society shall be composed of persons twenty-one years of age or older who are duly initiated members of a chartered Chapter.
- Section 3: Persons shall be admitted to membership regardless of race color, or creed.
- Section 4: No provision shall be made to destroy the anonymity of any member without his permission.

ARTICLE II:

- Section 1: The General Convention shall be the supreme governing body of the organization.
- Section 2: The General Convention shall be composed of all officers elected by the previous convention and delegates from each Chapter.
- Section 3: Guests of the convention may be invited only at the discretion of the Coordinating Council.
- Section 4a: The General Convention shall elect a Chairman, a Vice Chairman in each Area, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and the Chairman of the Standing Committees.
- Section 4b: The General Convention shall elect a convention Chairman who shall preside until the election of permanent officers for the following year.
- Section 5: The General Convention shall have the following Standing Committees: Research, Legislative, Publications, Legal, Public Relations, and Nominating.
- Section 6a: Voting in convention shall be on the following basis: each Chapter shall have one vote for every five members, but each Chapter shall have at least one vote.
- Section 6b: Each Chapter may devide its votes on a numerical basis to increase delegate participation.
- Section 7: The General Convention shall retain the power to permanently grant and revoke Chapter charters.
- Section 8: The General Convention shall have the power to levy dues.

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Brief History

But the time had come for the child to supplant the father and the old order literally and figuratively passed away. The Foundation announced that it was dissolving in favor of the new society and proudly gave it the name which was as proudly - and gratefully - accepted. Shortly thereafter the Foundation filed for dissolution as a corporation and turned over to the new MATTACHINE SOCIETY its files and correspondence.

Thus the idea of the MATTACHINE Movement has been enlarged and extended. As it has grown in California it is now growing thru-out the United States. It will continue to grow as new chapters are formed, new discussion groups are organized.

In recent months the Southern Area has inaugurated a program of psychological and bio-medical research, cooperating with a group of highly qualified doctors and psychologists in a series of scientific and objective tests. Reports from the Northern area indicate a program of similar nature already underway.

But psychological and bio-medical research is only one aspect of the Society's work. The Northern area has begun compilation of a bibliography to which project several members in the Southern Area are lending their time and effort. Several Chapters have devoted themselves to special projects, such as legal aid and research chapters. Discussion groups are sponsored in which the most serious and thought-provoking aspects of the general problems are discussed.

As time goes on the work of the Society will extend into many and greater areas. The extent and efficacy of this work is entirely dependent on the membership and the income which they contribute to this purpose.

The Aims and Principles of the Society are as worthy and noble as those of any social organization to take form in this country. The goal when achieved, can only bring greater health and happiness to its people. We have always needed, we need now, and shall undoubtly need in the future organizations devoted to the application of sane, intelligent, and healthy solutions to the complex problems of being human.

There is an old saying " God helps those who help themselves " Let us work for our goal, then, with god's help we shall achieve it.

Coordinating Council, of the
MATTACHINE SOCIETY
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See other publications : Aims and Principles
12 Important Questions Answered
Preamble and Constitution
How to Form a Chapter
Structure of the Society

This information sheet is distributed by the Southern Area Council, of the Mattachine Society. For further information write to Box 1925 L.A. -53

A BRIEF HISTORY

The Mattachine movement had its inception in 1950 when a group of three men, convinced that the time was ripe for such an idea, gathered several of their friends together and inaugurated the first Discussion Group --- the characteristic feature of what was to become, three years later, the MATTACHINE SOCIETY.

In the meantime, the original group of three had grown to seven and filed for incorporation as a non-profit, research organization in the State of California as the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION.

To carry on the work of the original discussion group, a secret society was instituted, headed by several of the original members of the FOUNDATION. The secrecy in the society extended from top to bottom and, altho intended as a measure of protection, it served only to hamstring the functioning of the various echelons, or "Orders" as they were called.

It was the task of the lowest "Order" to organize and sponsor the discussion groups. These groups, numbering anywhere from twenty to fifty people, met in various homes every two weeks. It was thru these discussion groups that people were introduced to the Mattachine Movement. The groups had the function of not only educating the participants but also of offering a measure of group therapy to a people who had hitherto been predominantly suspicious, fearful and uneasy.

It was the lowest "order", too, that furnished the labor for the mailing committee and that gathered and forwarded to the foundation the donations collected in the discussion groups.

As the Mattachine movement grew it became apparent that a secret and non-democratic society was proving to be too great a hindrance to accurate and adequate communication between the lowest "order" and the foundation head of command. With the increased number of people reached thru the discussion groups came an insistent sense of responsibility to them amongst the members of the lowest "order". A new democratic and non-secret society was very much needed.

In response to the importunities of the lowest "order" members, the head of the secret society called a convention to form a new organization. The members of the lowest "order" and other people interested in the movement met on April 11, 1953 to create and adopt a constitution for the new society. It required another meeting of the convention delegates in May of the same year to agree on the final form of the constitution, adopt it, elect officers, and pass on resolutions and bylaws to implement the new society. It began its work democratically and openly, for a better world for a group of people who, one might say, deserve somewhat better of society than they have been want to receive.

It became apparent during this last session the the original founders of the movement had built better than they knew. For there emerged from the convention a society designed to carry out all the functions of the now-defunct secret "orders" plus many of the activites of the Foundation itself. Let no disrespect for the Foundation and its efforts be inferred. If it had not been for the original three and the Foundation they created, the MATTACHINE SOCIETY would still be a dream in somebody's head.

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LONG BEACH AREA COUNCIL REGULATIONS
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NEW AREA COUNCIL

On June 2, the first official meeting of the New Long Beach Area Council, held in Lynwood, Chapters 112 and 113 met jointly to adopt area procedure and by-laws. This provides a Council for the Cities of Hermosa Beach, Lynwood and Long Beach, and the Harbor cities. By joint resolution the two chapters petitioned the General Convention at San Francisco, held last month, for Area status. It was the feeling of the Mattachine members in this area that because of time and distance placing a barrier between the Southern Area Council and Chapter locations, perhaps greater service could be rendered by providing you with the Area Council of your own. It is our job to bring more discussion groups and other activities into this area. At present the Long Beach Chapter has consented to act as the Publications Committee for this Area. We welcome news items and other information to these columns at any time. At present until the news arises this publication will be released once each month on or about the first. Mattachine has expanded to serve you.

REPORT ON CHICAGO MESSAGES

From convention came the report of other areas and Chapters being added to the already growing Mattachine. The Com. recognized the Chicago Area Council, representing two chapters.—The San Diego A/C with two. Since the Com. Detroit Chapter has been added to the Chicago Area, this growth proves the big issue of the day: THAT MATTACHINE HAS PROVED ITS USEFULNESS TO THE COMMUNITY and that there is a need for Mattachine. Let Mattachine serve you—JOIN TODAY.

VICE SQUAD

The dangers inherent in this Police speciality are highlighted by two recent incidents. In Jan., the entire vice squad of the Pittsburg (Pa.) Police Dept., one Lt. and six patrolmen were sent to prison on charges arising from accusations that the members took bribes from sex deviants, and frayed innocent men arrested as sex offenders. The Lt. was sentenced to prison for three and a half to seven years; his subordinates lesser penalties. In Feb., the citizens of Cleveland (Ohio), normally a well policed city were shocked by conditions disclosed when police chief and safety director led a raid on a house of prostitution. In a series of sensational reports, published photographs of police officers entering and emerging from the police protected vice resort. A police Lt. tried suicide the day after the published photograph showing him about to enter the place of prostitution. A 13 yr. old girl was found in the house. Seventeen police officers—including 3 captains, two lieutenants and ten vice squad members were charged with neglect of duty. This was the most sweeping mass disciplinary action in the history of the Cleveland Police Dept.

The Vice Squad seems always to be the main center of police corruption.

The above is a small portion of what will be discussed at the next Discussion Group meeting of the L.B. Chapter. The address again: 69 Atlantic, Apt. 7, L.B., July 15, at 8:00 P.M. For further information Ph. 252-2777.

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SPECIAL NOTE

Any person or persons becoming involved with the law, whether or not they are members of the Society are advised to contact the societies attorney, for best representation. Call Hollywood 93676, ask for Mr. R. B. Saliga.

DITION AND CLOSING OF AND ST. 118

The City Council Tuesday received another protest on continued operation of the Rendezvous Club, 5907 E. Second St. This protest was from the Gloria and Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5842 E. 2nd St.

Pastor Theo. Forni said "that in view of growing resentment against the Rendezvous Club ... we respect you do all in your power for its removal. Young people ask questions about its membership and practices," the letter said. "It is very embarrassing and unhealthful. The neighbor hood resents its presence."

City Manager Dan Vickers said the Chief of police and city prosecutor are investigating the situation. —— maybe so but perhaps they are simply afraid to answer questions and still insist on ignoring a situation and maybe it will go away. Did someone say Ostrich???

DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM

Were it not for the whites there would be no negro problem —— where it not for the protestants there would be no Catholics problem—— need we mention the hand-to-betro????

NOTES

The Long Beach Area Council will meet on the following dates and addresses:

Tues. July 20 - 65 Atlantic, L.B. apt 7
Thurs. Aug. 17 - place omitted July 20
Tues. Sept. 21 - " " "

Have YOU read the articles of incorporation. If not do so at your first opportunity. It will give you an insight on what you must do to make Matthews what it now day will be. The most important movement in the history of the world bar none. This is a dream now but someday we will have equality with the greatest. —— This is our first issue we are proud to serve. Your criticisms will be appreciated. Thank you very much.

For anyone interested in the Matthews Society write Long Beach Public Relations Chapter 113, Post Office Box 1212 Long Beach, Calif.

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Appended to this issue of the Newsletter is a summary of the report given by Dr. Hooker on the research done with the persons from the Mattachine Society. Dr. Hooker took the time to write a summary of this report to be presented to you through this publication. We felt that it was of such importance that it has been printed on a separate sheet for you. We would like at this time to thank Dr. Hooker for being such a wonderful person as well as thinking of us in her research. *

Dr. Hooker expressed the desire to thank you members of the Society for the cooperation shown during her research program.

She is interested in contacting anyone (male) of 25 or over who has not had any heterosexual experiences. You can contact her at Arizona 3-8562, or at 400 S. Saltair Ave. L.A. 49.

SEASIDE BEACH PARTY AT 1000 FT. 4500 FT.

Sunday Aug. 8th Huntington Beach
Bring your own lunch, punch will
be provided for you by the Soc-
ial Committee, naturally all don-
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ved. At the gate to the Beach
is a blackboard which will in-
form you as to what section of
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achine.. Everyone be there. How
about 12:30 or 1:00 P.M.?

NOTICE

As soon as the design has been selected for heading the Newsletter it will be printed. Maybe by the next issue.

In this issue we have two book reviews which you will find of interest. In each issue you will find something of particular interest to you, at least we do hope so. If you have any suggestions or ideas for this publication please do not hesitate to inform us. REMEMBER ALL ARTICLES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE THIRD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH. IF NOTHING IS SUBMITTED, NOTHING WILL BE PRINTED. The news you find in this issue is not complete, it will not be complete until YOU cooperate.

The Homosexuals
Edited by M.M. Krich

This is a report on "Homosexuals as seen by themselves and thirty authorities", so states the cover review of this book. Among the authorities are Hirschfeld, Karl Neminger, Jung, Freud and many others. Unfortunately the case histories presented were not, in the opinion of your reviewer, typical examples of the adjusted homosexual. There are maladjusted heterosexual as well as homosexual. It is understandable that heretofore the research scientist has not been able to interview the non-clinical sex variant, therefore all the case histories cited were only examples of the maladjusted homosexual. An analogous situation would be if a person trying to present a study of heterosexual society cited as typical examples the psychotic personalities of persons confined in penal and mental institutions, leaving out entirely that segment of the emotionally adjusted persons. In the later part of the book devoted to presenting the psychiatrist's point of view, the only consistency is the inconsistency of greatly divergent opinions expressed as to the cause and cure (?) of homosexuality. Some psychiatrists were objective in their approach of the subject, while others exhibited an hostile attitude. It is the conclusion of the reviewer, this book has not contributed any new knowledge to the homosexual seeking self-enlightenment and could only create more confusion and misunderstanding in the minds of the general public....

Reviewed by ISHMAEL
EDITORIAL

This Newsletter was published through the courtesy and WORK of Chapter 106. We wish to express our appreciation and thanks to this Chapter for it's cooperation. In attempting to bring to you members and friends of the Society the happenings concerning it, we have found it advisable to use discretion in every respect.

21 Variations on a Theme
By D.W. Cory

Donald Webster Cory has skillfully drawn from the creative writing of the world to produce a meaningful volume of short stories, all dealing with homosexuality. Chronologically the stories range from two written during the last ten years of the nineteenth century (Guy de Maupassant's "Paul's Mistress" and Henry James' "The Pupil", to several written during the last ten years of our era. Some of the great names in modern literature are represented, the aforementioned James and De Maupassant also Sherwood, Anderson, D.H. Lawrence, Stefan and Zweig, as well as a number of lesser known authors, who write honestly and capably. We commend these stories to you and your friends. The authors represented here write of homosexuality in many different locales and cultures of homosexual love in ancient Greece (Mitschinson's "Take Back Your Bay Wreath" of repressed homosexual love, D.H. Lawrence "The Prussian Officer" of Lesbianism, Isabel Bolton's "Ruth and Irma" of a boy's first contact with homosexuality, Charles Jackson's "Palm Sunday" - to mention only a few. The collection has a twofold significance: first of all, it stands as any creative writing must, on it's literary merit. There is not a poorly written story in the assortment. We would venture to say that restraint so dominates the telling of these stories that even a person with marked antipathy toward the cause of the homosexual would find the collection valuable from an artistic standpoint. The 21 stories represent twenty-one varying cogent delineations of the peculiar problems which the homosexual faces socially, personally and psychologically. The prevailing drought of information available to the heterosexual, concerning the homosexual in day-to-day life may be in some small part alleviated by this volume.

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Certainly a collection of short stories, many written by recognized authors, will be more widely disseminated than a psychological tome, regardless of the objectivity of the latter. We are indeed grateful to the donor of this volume to the library of the L.A. Area Council. We feel that this book may help us bring about one of the aims of Mattachine: "To dispel the idea that the sex-variant is unique, 'queer', or unusual, but is instead a human being with the same capacities of feeling, thinking and accomplishment as any other human being".

Henry J.

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**** CHAPTER NEWS ******103--LEGAL CHAPTER:**

The membership committee has prepared for printing and distribution, a form which will be handed to prospective members for them to fill out and return to us for our files. These will be useful for future reference, especially Research.

104--RESEARCH CHAPTER:

This chapter is trying hard to form again as a separate Chapter. Any persons who would like to become a member of this chapter, contact "Jo" at Ci-4-1305. There are several projects waiting to be taken up which are of importance to the homosexual.

105--ALPHA CHAPTER:

No report!!

106--Discussion Group Chapter. As soon as we are informed what social and money raising events we can hold we will advertise. We have planned another musical evening to be held Aug. 5th.

EVENTS ABOUT TOWN

CHAPTER 103-
Business meetings Aug. 4th and 18th.

CHAPTER 104-- Meets with Chapter 106. Will re-form some time this month.

CHAPTER 105--
Wed. Aug. 18th.. 215 N. Ave. 53. 8:30 P.M. Topic—"The concepts of Homosexuality In the Light of Dr. Hooker's Findings".

Chapter 106--
A musical evening has been planned for Aug. 5th "Musical Contrasts" is the topic. 8:00 P.M., 1101½ So. Grand View, L.A. Aug. 19th, same address, "Secret Topic"

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AREA NEWS--

Los Angeles Area-

This Area is still in process of organization. All available people are busy working at their appointed jobs, fulfilling them more than adequately. Still searching for volunteers for the Publications Unit... There is nothing new to report from the other Areas, none having been received at time of publication.

THE SLADE CASE

Contributions are still welcome for the Slade Case. Complete information is still not available due to the new treasurers taking office and the general confusion that always follows election of new officers.

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P L E A S E

Submit information by the 3rd Friday of each month for the Newsletter.

THE HOMOSEXUAL - A PERSONALITY TYPE?

A summary of the report given to the Long Beach Convention of the Western Psychologists by and through the courtesy of Dr. Evelyn C. Hooker.

The literature on homosexuality is filled with the attempts to describe the homosexual as belonging to one, or several types of personality structure. Most, if not all of these descriptions are based on clinical patients. In an effort to obtain as wide a sample of homosexuals as possible - of non-clinical subjects - the Mattachine Society assembled a group of 75 individuals in the summer of 1953 for the purpose of participating in a battery of psychological tests. One of these tests was the Chicago Inventory of Beliefs, which was designed to single out three major types of personality syndromes. It was used by permission of George G. Stern. The results reported here are a summary of that test alone.

The three major groups of individuals with their distribution in the homosexual group are:

(1) The S type is characterized by rigid, conforming and orderly behavior and by absolute acceptance of authority. For this individual, personal relations are depersonalized, that is, he seeks gratification of his needs in personal relations without regard for the needs of the other individual as a person. One percent of the homosexual group belong to this type. This means that (if we can generalize from this group of 75 to the homosexual group) homosexuals do not conform, do not accept authority, and do not depersonalize their relationships. But a very small percentage do.

(2) The A type is characterized by highly individualized and personalized social relationships, non-conforming behavior, and rejection of authority. Thirteen percent of homosexuals fall in this group.

(3) The I type is independent of both S and A, and includes individuals who are interested in ideas rather than persons, maintain social relations which are distant and impersonal, and are passive and restrained in impulse. Fourteen percent of homosexuals belong to this group.

Thus 30% of the total group can be classified in the three major categories described above. In addition, 13% do not fall in any category which is classifiable. The remaining 40% are found in borderline positions, mostly close to the A and I types. What conclusions can we draw from this?

Very tentatively, we may conclude that (1) homosexuals vary widely in personality structure and do not constitute a distinct type. This is the most significant finding. (2) It may be that the Mattachine Society is not typical of the total homosexual group in that the large number of individuals who belong to the A group constitute a select group of persons who are interested in ideas rather than persons, making possible the development of the organization. (3) Although it is usually taken for granted that the homosexual is a non-conformist, universally rejecting authority, these findings show that there are strong trends in the direction of conformity in about 14% of the group, even though only 1% belongs to the extreme S type.

It should be emphasized that this is a beginning of the effort to investigate personality types among homosexuals, and that other methods are currently used in the research to which Mattachine members are giving so much time and effort.

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On 8-2-54, [redacted] advised that she had received information that a meeting of captioned Long Beach Chapter was scheduled to be held at 8PM on 8-3-54 in the basement of the Robinson Hotel, Long Beach. (Info. from ONI to source). Coverage might be effected.

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NEWS LETTER

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CHAPTER CHARTER SUSPENDED

Los Angeles Legal Chapter No. 103 was suspended from the Mattachine Society in action taken by the Los Angeles Area Council at a special meeting held August 20, 1954. Action resulted from the notification that the Chapter Chairman had engaged in investigations of several of its' members. Such activities, it was pointed out, were in direct violation of the anonymity clause of the Constitution of the Mattachine Society and not in the best interests of the Society. The action of the Council was preceded by discussion from both viewpoints in meetings of the Legal Chapter and in previous Area Council meetings. The Chapter was instructed by the Area Council at their previous meeting to take action against the Chapter's Chairman, however the Chapter did not act in what the Council considered an appropriate manner. The Chapter was given further opportunity at the Council meeting but did not respond. In defense of his action, the Chapter Chairman stated that his investigations concerned the threat of Communism upon the Society. He further stated that no attempt had been made to obtain information in regard to personal lives of persons involved. This statement, however, was disputed by one of the persons investigated, who said that questions had been asked of his friends and other persons in regard to his personal activities. An attempt in the past by the Chairman of the Board of Directors to prevent further investigations failed when the investigator was found to be gathering information on another Society member. Suspension of the Chapter Charter is contingent upon the suspension or the resignation from the Society of the Chapter Chairman.

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BEACH PICNIC HELD

We may not make much money, but we have a good time. The Beach picnic held Aug. 8th at Huntington Beach was a lot of fun, and we did make a little profit from it, very little, exactly \$1.81..... It was a clear, warm day, there was a nice bonfire and 35 persons attended. We made a profit? of \$1.81.....

BEACH PICNIC PLANNED

Chapter 105 of the Los Angeles Area is planning a Beach picnic for Sept. 12th, to be held at Playa Del Rey north of the Fire pits. Bring your own lunch, but cold (soft) drinks will be sold.

Everyone had such a nice time at the last beach picnic lets make this another memorable afternoon. We will see you all there at 2:00 P.M.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES
LOS ANGELES AREA

103

Suspended until further notice.

104

Held their first meeting Tuesday night since their re-forming. This chapter hopes to launch themselves upon a long-range program of research projects. All persons interested in joining this Chapter are urged to contact Jo at Citrus 4-1305. Sincere interest in the Society and the projects at hand are the only requirements for membership.

105

The topic of this Chapter's last discussion group was Dr. Hooker's talk given at their previous discussion meeting. They are planning on other interesting speakers in the near future.

106

Chapter 106 wishes to call the attention of all our readers to the discussion meeting of Sept. 16th, (See "Events about Town"), when the report of the Langley-Porter Clinic will be reviewed and discussed. This Clinic was commissioned by the State of California to make a study of the Homosexual with a view to amending or changing State Laws. This promises to be a very provocative and enlightening evening.

EDITORIAL

There are crossroads of indecision throughout all our lives, so too our Society is beset. It is a time of grave decision for all of us. It is time we thought not of our selves as individuals, or our Chapters as separate units, but the Society as a whole. We, as a Society, must take our place in Society, if there is no place for us we must earn one. WE, THE MEMBERS, are the ones upon which this responsibility rests. WE are the only ones who can earn the rewards of our labour. Let us not have laboured in vain...

EG.

Organization Meeting September 17, 1954.
357 Belmont St., L.A.

EVENTS ABOUT TOWN

CHAPTER 103-

No meetings until further notice.

CHAPTER 104-

Next Chapter business meeting, Sept. 15, 1954. 357 N. Belmont, 8:00 P.M.. Meetings to be held on the second Wednesday of each month.

CHAPTER 105-

Beach picnic Sept. 12th, Playa Del Rey, north of the fire pite.

Sept. 15th, discussion group, guest speaker to be announced...

Place; 215 N. Ave. 53, Highland Park. Time; 8:00 P.M....

Sept. 22nd, 6:00 P.M. at 1012 7th Street, an informal gathering will be held to listen to the tape recording of Dr. Hooker's talk. Anyone interested is invited to attend; Apartment 404.

CHAPTER 106-

Next Chapter business meeting, Sept. 9th, 6:00 P.M. at 1154 Viola Ave., Glendale Calif. Call Citrus 4-1305 for transportation.

Thursday, Sept 2nd, at 1101½ S. Grandview, L.A. 8:00 P.M., discussion group; Topic: "THE HOMOSEXUAL LOOKS AT THE HOMOSEXUAL". Guest speaker. Thursday Sept. 16th, same place and time, discussion group; Topic: "REVIEW OF LANGLEY-PORTER CLINIC REPORT....



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COMPLAINT FORM

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Address of Subject

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Telephone Number of Complainant

8/10/54 30 pm

Character of Case

Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant stated she had previously finished this office

information re subject and wished to add that in a phone call from him about early July he stated he did not attend meetings and was not interested in progressive affairs.

Complainant added that from his talk and other consideration gained in her acquaintance with subject she judged him homosexual. Complainant stated that she had as a second husband

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The MATTAHINE SOCIETY INC., P.O. BOX 1925 - LOS ANGELES 53, CALIFORNIA.

L.A.A.C. BY-LAWS ADOPTED***

September 19, 1954 was a most important date for this Area. In spite of a lack of attendance by the majority of the members the AREA COUNCIL BY-LAWS were adopted. This seems to be a most complete document. It covers almost any situation that may come up. It took a long time to get these By-Laws written and adopted, but they certainly were worth waiting for. It is not known exactly how many persons put time and effort into writing these laws, but they truly deserve to be congratulated on them. A true spirit of cooperation shows in them, and in our opinion they should be a shining example to the other Areas in the Society. Copies of the adopted By-Laws will be available soon for all members of the Society.

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* BLOOD BANK *

Watch for announcement of a Blood Bank party soon.

NEW PAPER BY DR. HOOKER

Last week in an interview with Dr. Hooker she promised to write (as soon as she had the time) a summary of her paper given at the Psychological Convention in New York City last month. In view of the tremendous amount of work Dr. Hooker is doing not only for society, but for the homosexual, there should be some way we, as an organization, could show our appreciation. A reprint of her last paper will soon be available for distribution at discussion groups. Please make your request as soon as possible for the number desired.

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NEW AREA CHAIRMAN FOR L... AREA

We regret to announce the resignation of the L...Area Council Director due to ill health, however the office was filled at the Area meeting Sunday Sept. 19th. Congratulations to the new Director and best wishes in his new position. At this time we would like to extend our wholehearted cooperation, and to offer any assistance we can.

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CHAPTER GRANTED COMMITTEESHIP

Chapter 106, the Discussion Group Chapter requested permission of the Area Council to become the Publications Committee for this Area. Permission was granted by the Council and the results will be literature of a new type and more up-to-date publications. It must be understood, however, that nothing can be done without the cooperation of EVERY MEMBER in the Area.

* * * * * NEW FEATURE

On the back page of this issue you will find a new feature, a "Letters to the Editor" column. Your letters will be printed and answered to the best of your editor's ability. In our search for items of interest we are doing our best to bring you, the reader, the most constructive and timely items of "Society" news. Any interesting news items that YOU think should be brought to the attention of the membership, please do not hesitate to inform anyone of the Publications committee.

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EDITORIAL

What is the purpose of this organization? Do you know? Do you care? When you believe in a principle you work for it, or fight for it, whichever is needed. This holds true for most organizations, apparently not this one. There are perhaps six or seven members in this Area who are responsible for the success of this Area, are you one of them?? If you are not, why not? What are your objections to giving perhaps one evening more per month for the good of your Society. You get nothing you don't work for, nothing that is worth having, at any rate. Next time you have a criticism for any of the work done by any part of this Society remember that the people who are doing this work are doing the jobs of at least two or three people, one of those people might be you... So let us work together, at least together we have some chance of being recognized by society as something besides ... "Nature's mistake".

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A MESSAGE TO THE AREA

Having been elevated to the office of chairman of the Los Angeles Area Council simultaneously with the adoption of the first set of by-laws for the area, I feel that this, my first letter to you, should deal with some of the salient points inherent in these by-laws. First of all, the feeling of the members who were at the meeting called to adopt these by-laws, was that the organization should be more closely knit together, and that we, as members, should be working more for the cause of the society than for the individual chapters. In consequence, you will notice a loss of chapter autonomy which we hope will make for better "esprit de corps". We have also tried, within logical bounds, to tighten up the official posts so that fewer people will be needed to fill offices, thereby, we hope, relieving people to take over some of the load of those who have been carrying more than their share. We have great confidence in these by-laws, and urge you to study them so you may understand more fully the workings of this area.

Chairman, Los Angeles Area Council
Mattachine Society, Inc.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTEREST TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.

Coming Soon.....

The MATTACHINE DIGEST

...FIRST ISSUE OF THE SOCIETY'S NEW ALTERNATE-MONTH MAGAZINE WILL APPEAR LATE IN 1954, PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE FIRST TWO ISSUES ARE OBTAINED.

THIS LEAFLET TELLS THE PLAN FOR THE MAGAZINE. IT TELLS HOW YOU, AS ONE OF THE MEMBERS OR FRIENDS OF THE SOCIETY, CAN HELP. THE PROJECT OF LAUNCHING A MAGAZINE IS ONE REQUIRING THE COMBINED EFFORT OF MANY PERSONS.

For several months, plans have been going ahead to initiate production of a magazine for the Mattachine Society. Material is being collected, some of the actual articles have been written, and the general format has been chosen. A schedule of subscription rates has been set by the Board of Directors.

The matter of a name for the publication has been discussed by the Board and the Publications Department of the Society. The initial idea, "M S", has been discarded because it fails to adequately identify the publication and this name might also be confused with other agencies. At a recent Board meeting, the one-word title, "Mattachine" was selected.

Therefore the above reference to "Mattachine Digest" must still be considered as preliminary or tentative. "Mattachine Review" or, as the Board approved, the name "Mattachine" might be preferable.

Ideas for a final name are solicited. Members and friends of the Society who read this leaflet are requested to cast their vote on the name believed to be most descriptive and appropriate. Won't you submit your idea for a name?

Plans presently call for the magazine to be issued in six issues per year. Distribution of the two first issues will be to about 3000 prospective subscribers in the U. S. and abroad.

The Society and its Publications Department hope to place the magazine in a semi-professional category from the outset. By this, it is hoped the magazine will appeal to teachers and educators, psychologists, sociologists, psychiatrists and doctors, lawyers, judges, legislators, law enforcement officials and public agencies, as well as to the general public. The magazine will be of keen interest to members of the Society, persons in the variant minority, and others interested in Mattachine Goals, but not limited to an appeal to the homosexual minority exclusively.

THIS IS IMPORTANT: TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT THE NEW MAGAZINE THE SOCIETY HOPES TO LAUNCH. ASK THEM TO JOIN THE PROJECT BY SENDING ADVANCE SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW.

IT WILL TAKE MONEY TO PUT IT OVER. IT WILL HAVE TO COME FROM THOSE WHO WILL BE THE "INTERESTED READERS." THIS BROCHURE DOES NOT SEEK DONATIONS--BUT IT DOES CARRY THE URGENT REQUEST THAT YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS SUBSCRIBE RIGHT NOW!

Subscription Rates.....

Yearly subscriptions are \$2.50, or 2 years for \$5.00, 4 years for \$10.00, etc. Single copies will cost 50c each. An appeal is hereby made for interested persons to submit advance subscriptions in the amount of \$10 for 4 years, in order to underwrite the cost of the initial issues which will be widely distributed to prospective subscribers. ALL ADVANCE SUBSCRIPTIONS RECEIVED BEFORE PUBLICATION OF THE FIRST ISSUE WILL BE CREDITED TO BECOME EFFECTIVE AFTER THE FIRST TWO ISSUES. This means a bonus of two issues for all advance subscribers.

Editorial Content.....

The magazine will contain serious articles on various aspects of homosexuality and sex variation with a view to creating an understanding of the problem and advocating steps for its solution. This will be done in accordance with the aims and principles of the Society and primarily as a means of advancing the Mattachine program. Constructive and critical opinion will be voiced. Letters, contributed articles, book reviews, a digest of material in newspapers and magazines and other such material, will be published.

Manuscripts Wanted.....

Friends and members of the Society, professional writers, scientists, ministers, research experts, criminologists, students and laymen are all urged to submit any and all material which is believed to be significant from this date forward for possible use in the magazine.

Generally speaking, the Mattachine Magazine will not be aimed at "feeding the neuroses" of persons within the homosexual and variant minority. Instead, it will seek to achieve permanent advances in integration, education, understanding, civil rights, elimination of unfair practices and discrimination, and abolishment of false ideas about human sexuality. The magazine will not attempt to be "gay".

HERE'S AN IDEA: GIVE SUBSCRIPTIONS TO MATTACHINE DIGEST TO YOUR RELATIVES, FRIENDS AND PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE WHOM YOU KNOW FOR CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR. NO BETTER GIFT TO ADVANCE THE PROGRAM OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY IS POSSIBLE. USE THE COUPON BELOW!

.....YES, it will take the combined effort of the entire Society to put "Mattachine Digest" across.

Can we count on you to help?

MAILING ADDRESS FOR CHARTER SUBSCRIPTION
TO THE MATTACHINE DIGEST:

MATTACHINE DIGEST
MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.
POST OFFICE BOX 1925
LOS ANGELES 53, CALIFORNIA

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ADDRESS _____

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STATE _____

DON'T WAIT--DO THIS TODAY!

YES--I WANT TO BECOME A CHARTER SUBSCRIBER
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ENCLOSE () CHECK OR () MONEY ORDER FOR
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NEWS LETTER

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PUBLIC REALTIONS

Of all the departments of the Mattachine Society, the Public Relations Department is the one about which the least is known and the most questions asked, the one most common (from Society-minded Mattachinors) is "Who is in the Public Relations Department, and what do they do?" The purpose of this article is to answer this question. First of all, the Public Relations Department is the largest in the Mattachine Society. Every member of Mattachine Society, every member of Mattachine, every person who reads this newsletter, everyone who is or knows a sex variant, in short, almost everyone is an important part of this Department. While this may seem absurd, it is very true. It is not difficult to visualize the effect every public action by a sex variant has on the opinions expressed in newspapers, the theatre, and in conversations of everyone. It is difficult, however, for many sex variants to realize the effect non-variants have on these opinions. And yet, every joke about variants, every derogatory term used, helps to make those opinions more unfavorable.

Consequently, almost everyone is important to the Mattachine--almost everyone affects the public relation of the Society. The problem, of course, is to determine what can be done to assure that this effect is favorable. This is the "what" that the Public Relations Department is attempting to accomplish. It is not an overnight job. It is something that will take a great deal of time and energy. At the same time, it is something everyone can do. For variants, it means remembering that there is a time and place for everything. It helps to remember that homosexuals are sometimes shocked and amazed at the actions of other homosexuals, and to consider how those actions would appear to the "uninitiated".

For non-variants, the job is different. It means saying "homosexual" instead of the terms more frequently heard; it means frowning instead of laughing at jokes on the sex variant. And for both, variant and non-variant alike, it means absorbing every bit of available factual information on the subject and taking advantage of every opportunity to pass it along to anyone receptive. This is the job of everyone in the Public Relations Department; this is everyone's job.

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PUBLIC REALTIONS DIRECTOR
Mattachine Society Inc.

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BOOK REVIEW

Link, Henry C. "The Rediscovery of Morals", Garden City Pub. Co. 1949
218 Pages.

Dr. Link has produced a book of fundamental importance, dealing with basic truths about human nature, simply, clearly, accurately. In his answer to the question being asked by people everywhere - What is wrong with the world and the people of today? - his analysis of the moral situation facing the nation and the world is masterly and compelling.

The author points out how parents, schools, public officials and plain people everywhere can accomplish the great task ahead - "To duplicate in the field of morals what we have so brilliantly done in the field of physical science. It is the rediscovery and interpretation of moral law that constitutes the major problem of our civilization. A common faith without a common ethics is mere wishful thinking.

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DONT LOOK UNDER "PERVERSION"
FOR "HOMOSEXUALITY"

Material on "Homosexuality" in the files of the Chicago public Library and John Crerar Library is no longer confined to the subjects, "Sexual Perversion" and "Sexual Aberrations". With the addition of Gordon Westwood's "Society and the Homosexual", the large public librarians added "Homosexuality" to the list of valid fields of study. This revolutionary change in the social and intellectual awareness in the conservative library profession may be the forerunner of a change throughout other levels of society. In the light of this recognition of homosexuality as a problem separate from sexual perversions, it may soon be treated as openly and honestly as it deserves. (Reprinted from Chicago Newsletter)

A MESSAGE TO THE AREA

We want to begin this month's letter to you with a bow of appreciation to Alpha Chapter 105 for accepting the duties of public relations. There can be no doubt that they have the talent and spirit to do some really fine work in this field.

In accordance with the expressed desire of many of our members, the chapters of the Los Angeles area are combining their efforts to produce a really fine discussion group each month. November 17th is the date for the first of these "spectaculars" (with apologies to the National Broadcasting Company). We promise you an interesting and enlightening evening. Remember the date - November 17th - the third Wednesday at 8:30 and the address is 215 North Avenue 53, Highland Park. Just off the free-way.

Chairman, Los Angeles Area Council Mattachine Society Incorporated.

EDITORIAL

ARE YOU A GOOD CITIZEN

Do you vote at election time? Are you a member of some Civic group? Do you do your part for the betterment of your Community? If you can not answer yes to any of these questions, you are not a good citizen. To become integrated into Society you must, first of all take an active part in the activities of the Society. Although we are bound together by a common cause, our own Society cannot function without active participation by all members in the business of the MATTACHINE SOCIETY. Be a good citizen, cooperate with your Society. Help yourself to good citizenship.

Ed.

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NEW PROGRAM FOR L.A. AREA.

This month the new schedule for Society activities in this Area begins. The first Wednesday of November, all the chapters will hold their business meetings. On the second Wednesday the Los Angeles Area Council will meet at the Society office on Belmont. The third Wednesday a joint discussion group will be held. This month the discussion group is sponsored by Chapter 105. This meeting will be held at 215 N. Ave. 53, Highland Park, at 8:30 P.M.

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LESBIAN RESEARCH ALMOST COMPLETED

Only four more girls are needed to complete the research being done by Dr. Sommers, Armand and Russell. This is a very important program, surely there are four more women who are willing to contribute two or three hours of their time to further the understanding of Lesbianism and its causes...

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AROUND THE TOWN WITH MATTACHINE

Wednesday Nov. 3. Chapter Meetings

Wednesday Nov. 10 Area Council
357 Belmont Ave.
8:30 P.M.

Wednesday Nov. 17, Discussion Gp.
215 N. Ave. 53,
Highland Park, 8:30 P.M.

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EXAMINE BRITAIN'S RE. STUDY
OF HOMOSEXUALITY

Chapter 116, THE EDUCATIONAL CHAPTER, held its first book review, critique and discussion as announced on Aug. 17, The subject was the American edition of the British work: Gordon Westwood, "Society and the Homosexual" (New York: E.P. Dutton, 1953). A Book comparable to Cory's "The Homosexual in America". The author attempts a more or less complete survey of all aspects of the subject-- but in this case from an "objective" point of view, as opposed to Cory's "subjective" appraisal.

Mr. Westwood's "objectivity" was found wanting. He based his definition of the homosexual on the individual's psychic disposition and proceeded to guess that the incidence of homosexuality in England was substantially higher than that in the United States (as estimated by Kinsey) who did not base his findings on psychic disposition. His reason for this supposed higher incidence was the more stringent segregation of the sexes in the English public school. On the other hand, some researchers argue that the incidence of adult homosexuality is lower in societies where the homosexual outlet is easily available in adolescence.

Of particular interest was Westwood's discussion of the causes of pronounced homosexual disposition. He reviewed the theory that it is instilled early in life by a variety of family situations which induce the child to make a psychic identification with the parent of the opposite sex. Westwood also examined the genetic or inborn theories, citing a recent study which found that in families of homosexuals, the ratio of male to female births is markedly higher than that in the population at large.

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In view of the great stress placed by the popular press and a large segment of public opinion upon seduction as a cause of homosexuality, the discussion group found Westwood's views especially significant. Seduction, he maintains, is not a cause but a result of homosexual trends, a more or less inevitable end product of pre-conscious inclinations. In many cases the seduction is provoked by the "innocent" partner. In any case, it rarely has any lasting or harmful effects unless the seduced already has within his personality deep-seated homosexual leanings or conflicts centering in those.

Regarding the hostile attitude of Anglo-American society, the law, etc., Westwood's conclusions were found to be so similar to Cory's, they require no special comment. Like Cory, he believes that the problem of the homosexual in society will be solved only when society undergoes a profound change of heart and mind on the subject.

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LIKE TO BE A MEMBER ? ? ?

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE
ATTACHMENT SOCIETY, ATTEND OUR NEXT
ORIENTATION MEETING AT 357 BELMONT
AVE. AT 8:30 ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5th
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VARIOUS CHAP-
TERS AND LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT IN THE
SOCIETY WILL BE ON HAND TO ANSWER
ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE CONCERN-
ING THE SOCIETY. PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS
IN THE PAST HAVE FOUND THE ORIENT*
MEETINGS TO BE OF GREAT IN-
TEREST AND HELP IN ACQUAINTING THEM
WITH THE SOCIETY THEY WERE AROUND
TO JOIN.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-45888)

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FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: MATTACHINE SOCIETY
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On 7/19/54, [redacted] orally advised that [redacted] had, on 7/7/54, been the victim of a petty theft which included his briefcase; that the Long Beach PD had recovered his briefcase and there were indications that [redacted] was a member of the Mattachine Society.

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Informant advised that in [redacted] briefcase was a handbill reflecting that the Mattachine Society, Long Beach, Public Relations Chapter 113, PO Box 1232, Long Beach, would have a meeting 7/15/54 at 8:00 p.m. at 65 Atlantic, Apartment 7, "for further information, call [redacted]", and that this number was checked out to [redacted]

On 7/20/54, a review of the contents of [redacted] briefcase reflected the following:

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[redacted] has furnished a thumbnail on the MATTACHINE SOCIETY; therefore, the following information is being submitted with the request that a 100 case be opened on [redacted] inasmuch as he has been identified with captioned organization.

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On August 16, 1954, [redacted] advised the writer that [redacted]

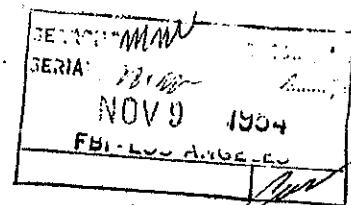
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According to the Long Beach Police Department informant, [redacted] is allegedly active in the Long Beach Branch of the MATTACHINE SOCIETY and has permitted meetings of this organization to be held in his apartment at 65 Atlantic Avenue, Apartment 7, Long Beach, California.

The original report from [redacted] is being serialized into the 100-new file on instant subject.

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Seasons Greetings

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DECEMBER 1954

" IT IS WITH FAITH AS WITH LOVE: ONE FINDS IT WHEN
ONE LEAST EXPECTS TO"....., George Sand

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The Publications Chapter of the L.A.A.C. wishes to extend to the Los Angeles Area, as well as the rest of the Society, their best wishes for the Holiday Season. We wish also to remind everyone of the Christmas Party the Area is giving December 15th at 215 N. Ave. 53 in Highland Park. This Social evening begins at 8:00 P.M. Refreshments will be served, and the only admission charge is a small gift for the grab-bag, value at least 50¢ and not to exceed \$1.00. Lets all attend and get together for a nice time.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Los Angeles Area members please note; December is the month to begin thinking about the coming election for the Society as well as within your Chapters. Please consider the plan for the re-organization of this Area. The plan put forward by the Area Council Chairman is one to be considered before voting upon it. COOPERATION should be the main thought now and in the future, for the future of the Mattachine Society.

In Beverly Hills, Nov. 5, 1954, Dr. Robert Lindner lectured to a large audience on the subject "Changing Attitudes Toward Homosexuality". Dr. Lindner is Chief Consultant psychologist to the Maryland State Board of Correction. There were a few items in his talk that were newsworthy, not startling however. The most interesting to your reviewer concerned an organization in Southeast Asia that was founded in the mid 1930's. It was abandoned at the beginning of World War II only to be revived later as the Homosexual World Organization (H.W.O.).

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Book Review

WE ARE BORN TO BELIEVE

by M. ARTHUR KLINE, M.D.

Dr. Frankl, president of the Austrian Society of Medical Psychotherapy as well as teacher of neurology and psychiatry at the University of Vienna, has an entirely new approach to medicine and psychiatry, which he calls "logotherapy".

Men and women yearn for a purpose in life above their own desires for sexual pleasure and personal ambition; they are born with a spiritual urge as strong as their instinct of sex and hunger.

The view of this new school of thought is that suppression of our need for religion creates much of the frustration and tension in this atom-endangered world.

People are replacing sex-shyness with God-shyness. If men and women will recognize their need for a belief in God, and in a new meaning to life beyond their personal pleasures, they can find peace of mind and happiness. Dr. Frankl believes that spiritual repression is the blame for four of today's great emotional problems. It leads people to destroy their chances for happiness by: (1) Acting "provisionally", as if what they do has no real importance. (2) Believing more and more in fatalism—that man cannot control himself nor the world about him, and therefore he need not act for himself. (3) Surrendering to the mass to set his goals and his opinions, and thereby making totalitarianism possible in this age. (4) Accepting fanaticism, leading to intolerance of others' feelings and peculiarities.

These four tendencies lead a person to believe that his own life has no value.

This state of mind alone is sufficient to drive some men and women into depression. It finds common expression in the question so many patients ask: "What is life all about?"

Ours is an age of intellectual confusion, with a topsy-turvy sense of values. Man is freer than he thinks. So long as we do not underrate our human capacities nor cripple them by low limited ideals, we shall find it possible to be serene in whatever circumstances life places us.

Men of today are generally aware of the fact that they have instincts and unconscious sex drives; but many moderns have forgotten that they are also spiritual beings. Dr. Frankl's concern over the spiritual side of life marks a new frontier in psychiatric thinking, at the point where science and religion meet. Dr. Frankl says, "We recognize that man is often more religious than he thinks. More men have laid down their lives for spiritual ideals than for sexual love: how then can psychiatrists, in logic, place all their stress on sexual motivation and ignore other interests which are proven to be as strong? Psychiatrists who ignore the spiritual side of mental disorders are like doctors who pretend the patient has no body above his neck. It is not to the sick portion of a patient that logotherapy appeals, but to the healthy portion. No matter how sick a patient is, the healthy elements of his personality can be mustered against the sick and his free will enlisted in the battle."

"It is impossible", says Dr. Frankl, "to imagine any human situation which does not offer a man a valuable task and a unique mission."

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WE ARE BORN TO BELIEVE--

It may be well for man to consider the merit in logotherapy. I realize, though, that possibly this is the wrong time of the year to present this review, in view of the extreme commercialism that has arisen out of the spiritual belief of the people. If man's search for the truth, regardless of his belief, is to be objective, it might be well worth his while to scratch the veneer of fanaticism and commercialism; to peer beyond. Here, I think, is more food for thought.

The above is a review of an article from "Womans Home Companion" April 1954.

J. Carson

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A MESSAGE TO THE AREA

This is the month in which we think especially of doing things for others. The active members of the society know that they are doing things for others, making a place in society for future generations of the minority. Are you doing your part? Anyone who has stopped to consider the purpose and function of a society to better conditions for a minority knows that "patience and fortitude" are the only means to achieve the purposes and ends to which such a society subscribes. We may lose the impatient ones by the wayside, and we may have to work harder as a result.

An opportunity has arisen whereby you, as member or interested on-looker, may do your part. The Mattachine Society has announced that it is publishing a magazine to be issued in six issues per year, coming out on alternate months. It is planned that this publication be in a semi-professional category, and not be limited in appeal to the homosexual minority exclusively. An advance subscription is a necessity in order

to launch our project. And provision is made for a refund in case the project does not come to fruition.

This would make a grand gift for your friends, perhaps someone who does not have the social advantages proximity to a large community affords. Perhaps he or she would like to know what is being done for the minority. We would like to have advance subscriptions before January 1st, as the first issue is scheduled to appear in January. You can subscribe for one year (\$2.50), two years (\$5.00), or 4 years (\$10.00). Address subscriptions and check or money order to Mattachine Society, Inc., P.O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, California.

We would like to call your attention to our Christmas Open House to be held the third Wednesday of December, the fifteenth, at 215 N. Ave. 53 in Highland Park- very convenient to the free-way. The public is invited to a social evening with refreshments and a good, old-fashioned grab-bag. Your ticket of admission is a present for the grab-bag, not less than 50¢ and not to exceed \$1.00. Come on out, folks, and have a real good time.

Chairman
Los Angeles Area Council
Mattachine Society, Inc.

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IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, Attend our next Orientation meeting at 357 Belmont ave. At 8:30. These meetings are the first Friday of the month. Representatives of the various Chapters and levels of Government in the Society will be on hand to answer any questions you might have concerning the society. Prospective members in the past have found the Orientation meetings to be of great interest and help in acquainting them with the Society they were about to join.

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This Organization is now part of the International Congress for Sexual Equality, Amsterdam, Holland. The H.W.O. came into being as an attempt to establish a "colony" of male homosexuals, free from persecution and discrimination. The purely colonial aspect failed, however a responsible organization grew out of it. The H.W.O. at present time has a membership of 10,000, (how about us trying for that many members).

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EDITORIAL

In this season of merriment and good-will, let us not forget the true meaning of Christmas. Remember it is not the gift but the spirit of giving that is important. As you all know, this Society "lives" from day to day on the donations of members and friends. We of the Society donate our time and efforts to further the cause of this minority. It is well to bear in mind that although the work and time donated is taken for granted, it is not donated thoughtlessly. So at this time especially, take time to at least express your thanks and appreciation to the working members of this Organization that try so hard to do the work for all of you. May I express to our readers on behalf of the L.A.A.C. Publications unit and myself, best wishes for this Holiday Season.

Ed.

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FEBRUARY FIRST MATTACHINE REVIEW

This is an exciting month for the Society. We are finally realizing an ambition toward which we have been working for some time; a publication appealing to everybody, available to everybody, and representing the viewpoint of Mattachine. Some of the highlights of our first issue: a message from the chairman of the board of directors; an article by James Barr on facing the members of one's community when one is known as the author of books on THE SUBJECT; an open letter to Senator Dirkson; a review from Dr. Evelyn Hooker of the papers she has presented on her study of the male homosexual; a reprint of an article by Bertrand Russell.

Truly an auspicious beginning. And a portent of things to come. There is still plenty of time to get your subscription in before the first issue is in the mail, so get that check or money order in the mail in case you have forgotten. Address your subscription to Mattachine Review, Post Office Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, California. Rates are for one year \$2.50, two years - \$5.00, four years - \$10.00. This provides for first class mailing in a plain envelope. The magazine will be on sale at news-stands at 50¢ per copy.

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BLOOD BANK

The time to renew our insurance with the blood bank has come up again, and a date has been set. Member of Mattachine or not, if you are willing to help us build this blood supply, from which you may draw, go to the Blood Center at 1130 S. Vermont on February 11th or 12th. The hours are from 7 P.M. to 10 P.M. on Friday, Feb. 11th, and from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. on Saturday. We must know beforehand how many to expect, so please contact Van Dyke 1221 before Feb. 10th if you intend to contribute. REMEMBER IT IS FOR YOU YOUR BLOOD IS DONATED.

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BOOK REVIEW

SEX IN HISTORY by G. Rattray Taylor (London: Thamos and Hudson, 1953)

It was perhaps inevitable, in this generation of theorists of history, that Freud should eventually be invoked in the persistent attempt of historians to bring order and coherence into the bewildering spectacle of the human past. Mr. Taylor's book is essentially a Freudian theory of history. In itself this would seem to be a promising sort of procedure: the game of historical interpretation, as typified by Toynbee, his followers, and his opponents, has often seemed to me to be one in which the rules are determined solely by the prejudices of the historian himself. Mr. Taylor is unbiased; he is perfectly straightforward about his Freudian and Humanist orientation. But what is promising is that in basing his interpretations on psychoanalytical theory he is employing a fairly precise tool, developed and sharpened by others, and not wholly dependent upon his own whim. Furthermore, Mr. Taylor is interested in more or less ultimate historical causes; the fact, for instance, that the idea of the "divine" mistress (leading to the tradition of adulterous, courtly love, which flourished among the Provencal minstrels in the midst of severe sexual repression imposed by the Church) was probably "influenced" by elements in Arabic poetry, or the fact that the marked rise of homosexuality among English clergy and laity in the Twelfth Century may have been "influenced" by the Norman invasion, these appeals to the "influence" do not satisfy the author. He wishes to ask why there should have arisen at these times in history groups of people who were willing to accept these "influences" and to act upon them.

The rationale of his approach is simple: society consists of individuals; the Freudian theory has a number of illuminating things to say about the development of individuals and the basic psychic dispositions which mold their future behavior and the choices they make among the many influences in their environment; their attitudes toward sex are significant indices of their basic psychic dispositions; ergo - a history of human sexual practices and attitudes, interpreted by the Freudian theory.

The author's procedure is likewise simple - perhaps too simple. He operates essentially with only two sets of terms: (1) Eros and Thanatos. When Eros, the drive towards love, creation, and pleasure, is blocked of normal outlets, it forces itself out deviously and obsessively in forms of destruction, pain and death - Thanatos. (2) Matrism and Patrism: given two parents, the child is, in most human societies, more or less forced in the process of becoming an individual to make a basic identification with one or the other of them and the qualities they represent. Thus the mother-identifier or matrist tends to become a permissive, spontaneous, pleasure-loving, progressive individual, who accords women a high social status, but who harbors a deep, constant fear of incest as the most horrible of crimes and as an ever present threat. The father-identifier or patrist, conversely, tends to develop a conservative, authoritarian character, fearing pleasure and spontaneity, valuing chastity above human welfare, looking upon women as inferior, unclean, sinful creatures, and harboring a deep fear of homosexuality as the most horrible of crimes and as an ever-present threat.

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EDITORIAL

The Mattachine Society has passed successfully through a year of trial and error, mostly error, I'm afraid. However, we are profiting by our experiences. Many changes, including some of the personnel, have taken place within the Society. We knew these changes are for the betterment of the Society as a whole. Our new magazine may very well be the beginning of a whole new phase for Mattachine.

At the beginning of a new year, we all look forward with hope for new opportunities for bettering ourselves as well as broadening our understanding. One thing we should all remember, in my opinion, is a quotation I have heard or read somewhere, "Do not be intolerant of intolerance in others". I leave this thought with you.

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DISCUSSION MEETINGS

A series of very interesting special speakers have been scheduled for the coming months by the chapters of the Los Angeles Area. The first, our guest for January, will be Mrs. Virginia Armand, who will speak on the Kinsey Reports. The date is January 19th, the time, 8:30 P.M., the place, 215 N. Ave 53 Highland Park. Mrs. Armand is one of the collaborators on the Lesbian Psychological tests that are now in progress.

On February 16th at 8:30 P.M. Mr. Russell, who is also one of the collaborators on the Lesbian Psychological tests, will be our guest speaker. His topic will be, Sex Psychopath Programs in our State Hospitals. The meeting will be held at the address given above.

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A MESSAGE TO THE AREA

February First marks the appearance of the first issue of the MATTACHINE REVIEW. We have a list of the material to appear in this issue, and it looks like we have some real items of interest to offer. See page one of this Newsletter for more information.

Loathe as we are to bring this to the fore, the Society members, who should have displayed the greatest interest in their own publication, are waiting like sheep for one of their number to lead the way. The majority of pre-subscriptions have come from outside the Society. Our hope is that our members have by this time done something about their subscriptions.

We are reminded by an article in Time magazine of January 19th of an incident in the not too distant past when the Mattachine Society was accused of being communistic. More than 300 homosexuals, according to the article, were picked up in one night, in an effort to check the rapid growth of sexual deviation in Argentina. The rise in the number of "shameful attacks on women" was listed as one of the reasons for the drive, and the solution arrived at - licensing of bordellos which had been closed since the ban of 1936!!!

Those of us who know something of the situation of the Homosexual in America realize that conditions leave much to be desired in handling the problem here, but contrast our situation with that of a country ruled by a dictator. Are we communist bait? Knowing what happened to sex deviates in countries where the state was, and is, all, are we that blind? We recommend this article to interested persons.

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BOOK REVIEW (cont.)

Armed with these neatly opposed concepts, the author marches through European history, from the mother-religions of the ancient world, through the patrist repressions of Paulist Christianity, to what he believes is the growing matrism of the twentieth century. What he shows us, essentially, is a perpetual alteration of ages dominated now by patrists; now by matrists, pointing out the evils which have resulted when either of these orientations toward sex was carried to excessive, obsessional limits by the dominant group. He ascribes the condemnation of the arts, of dancing, and of almost all other forms of human spontaneity and pleasure in Puritan Reformation to the obsessional patrism of Calvin, Knox, and other Protestant leaders. Despite his apparent partiality to the relative sanity of the matrist periods, the author mildly deplores the endless round of violent oscillation engendered by either of these exclusive identifications and several times holds up the hypothetical ideal of a civilization which would allow its children to mold themselves upon the best qualities of both parents. He does not seem to believe very seriously, however, in the possibility of this ideal.

Pleasurable and attractive as the author's scheme is in its simplicity, one must point out that there are many questions which it fails to answer. It is, though, a truism to point out that historians with single, clear-cut theories always do better with the past than with the present, which is bound to look more complex to those who live in it than it probably will to future historians.

With or without its faults, Mr. Taylor's book deserves a more careful study than there is room for here. It is full of illuminating and stimulating ideas, and it offers what is perhaps the most sobering and yet optimistic historical proposition ever put forth—that more significant revolutions in human history are determined in the cradle than on the battlefield.

(Digested from a review in the Chicago Area Newsletter, November, 1954.)

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ONE MAGAZINE CONVENTION - The Society has received an invitation to attend the convention of One Magazine on Jan. 29th Place of meeting will be enclosed in the registration certificate which you will receive upon payment of \$1.00 fee. The morning session will begin at 11 A.M. and Howard Russell is the main speaker, and many interesting papers will be read and topics discussed in addition. A banquet will be held in the evening, reservations being necessary, at a fee of \$2.50. This promises to be an interesting event, and we are grateful to One Magazine for extending us the invitation.

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REMEMBER THE ORIENTATION MEETING ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH, AT THE MATTACHINE OFFICE - 367 NO. BELMONT AVE. 8:30 P.M.

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MATTACHINE REVIEW

The much heralded and hoped-for publication of the Society has finally made its appearance, and a fine appearance it makes, if you havn't seen it, get it! It will soon be available on news-stands, so keep asking for it until your favorite news-dealer gets it for you. Or better yet, how about a subscription? You can have it mailed to you first class for only \$2.50 per year. Address subscriptions to Mattachine Review, P.O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, California. Have you thought of giving a subscription to a friend who may not have easy accessibility to it - but who might want to know what is being done for and about members of the minority. Give this some serious thought, if you are at all serious about the subject and get a copy of the Review. You'll find it well worth looking into.

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SO YOU WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER

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To all of you that are interested in becoming a member of Mattachine Society, I suggest that you attend one of our ORIENTATION meetings.

WHAT IS THIS MEETING ABOUT? At this meeting you will find all your questions about the Society answered. This meeting is held especially for you. We are at your service. Memberships are also accepted at the ORIENTATION MEETING.

TIME AND PLACE: First Friday of every month at 357 N. Belmont Ave. Los Angeles, California. TIME 8:30 P.M.

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ONE INSTITUTE

On January 29th, One Magazino held the first of a series of Institutos, consisting of discussions and pertinent talks by guest speakers, and rounded out by a banquet in the evening.

This beginning session, which some of the Society members attended, augured well for sessions to come. Marian Baker was here from San Francisco as guest speaker and proved a very amusing and interesting personality. Other speakers and topics were of equal interest.

DISCUSSION GROUP

On the third Wednesday of every month the Society holds a discussion group meeting at 215 N. Ave 53, in Highland Park. These have been very well attended and have proved of great interest to those attending. Our next meeting, on March 16th promises another interesting speaker whose name we are not at liberty to reveal at this time. Why dont you come out and see for yourself? TIME 8:30 P.M.

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MATTACHINE CONVENTION

The annual convention of Mattachine Society, Inc. will be held in Los Angeles this year on May 14th and 15th. We are planning on having a series of panel discussions on Saturday afternoon to which the public is invited. This will be followed by a banquet and a speaker who will be announced later. Friends and members of Mattachine are also invited to this, and if you have attended in the past, you know how interesting the annual convention banquet is. Keep this date open and plan to attend.

NOTE

With the publication of the Mattachine Review, the Los Angeles Area Council will be confining it's monthly News-letter to topics and news of local interest. Keep posted on local current events in the monthly Newsletter and suggest to your friends who may not be receiving it that they submit their name for our mailing list.

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The MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC., has announced an annual convention to be held in Los Angeles on May 14, 15, 1955. They are planning on having a series of panel discussions on Saturday, May 14, in the afternoon, to which the public is invited. Elections will be held at this convention, to elect officers for the coming year. The Mattachine Society is governed by these general conventions. The General Convention sets the policy and proposed program for each period between conventions. This convention to be held, is for the entire Mattachine Society, which has chapters throughout the country.

The Los Angeles Chapters of the Mattachine Society meet regularly on the first Friday of every month at it's headquarters, 357 N. Belmont Ave., Los Angeles, California at 8:30PM, which they classify as orientation meetings.

On the third Wednesday of every month, the Society holds a discussion group meeting [redacted] for members in the Los Angeles Area. Information from Source [redacted] indicates that the next discussion group meeting on March 16, 1955, will feature a well known speaker. He is DR. ROBERT LINDNER, Ph.D., Chief Psychiatrist, Dept. of Corrections, Baltimore, Md., and member of the faculty of University of Maryland, who lectured at Beverly Hills, California, last fall. According to information received, Dr. Lindner will speak about H.W.O. (Homosexual World Organization). This organization is alleged to have headquarters in Southeast Asia, claiming a world-wide membership of 72,000. It is alleged that the headquarters of H.W.O. is an island in Southeast Asia, where homosexuals run the Government and dominate the population. A news item can be found on page 15 of "Mattachine Review", Jan-Feb. 1955 issue, (official publication of Mattachine Society). This news item relates information allegedly from Dr. Lindner, that H.W.O. is one of several organizations which make up the International Committee for Sexual Equality, Amsterdam, Holland. I.C.S.E. is presently preparing to petition UNESCO for investigation of discriminatory practices against certain categories of sex variance in several member countries of the United Nations.

The "MATTACHINE REVIEW", Jan.-Feb. 1955, has a directory of Homosexual organizations and publications on page 30, which includes "Mattachine Review"; Mattachine Society, Inc., Board of Directors, P.O. Box 1925, L.A. 53, Calif., Los Angeles Area Council, P.O. Box 1925, L.A., Calif., San Francisco Area Council, P.O. Box 259, San Francisco 1, Calif., Chicago Area Council, P.O. Box 3513 Merchandise Mart, Chicago 54, Ill. Other publications listed are "One magazine", published by One, Inc., 232 S. Hill St., Los Angeles 12, Calif., and other Foreign publications and organizations from Belgium, France, Germany, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and India.

The "MATTACHINE REVIEW" is a new publication. The Jan.-Feb. 1955 issue is the first. On page 2 (inside front cover) of this issue is a letter written by the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Mattachine Society, (believed to be KENNETH BURNS of Los Angeles). The letter is addressed to publications director (believed to be HAL or HAROLD CALL, who runs a

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print shop in Oakland, Calif.) of the Mattachine Society, Inc., P.O. Box 259, San Francisco, 1, Calif. The letter states in part, "It has been almost two years since the Mattachine Society was organized (from the former foundation). During this brief period, ideas about the organizations and its members have come along much faster than the membership itself. Many of these ideas have been completely false and have led to additional barriers to be overcome. This has distracted from the principles on which the Mattachine was founded -- research and education of the sex variant himself, and of society at large." "We earnestly hope that the 'Mattachine Review' will go a long way toward giving the readers the true facts of the Mattachine Society and the place of the sex variant in the life of the community. Progress is being made in bringing to light the causes and reasons involved in everyday realities of a variant's life, adjustment to his responsibilities as a citizen and his emotional security." "The truth, good or bad, will be policy of the "Review" in helping to make everyone cognizant of the facts. In printing the truth, we will not strive for sensationalism, but rather maintain an intelligent and rational approach on a very emotional subject. By enabling people to read the truth concerning the sex variant, it is our desire to serve them by acting in the public interest." "You, your staff and the many others who have had a part in this project of the Mattachine Society, have had an almost insurmountable task at times and your worries have only begun with this first issue. But all of you can take some consolation in the sincere gratitude of the members of the Society for the success of a vision that will grow and accomplish the noble ideals upon which Mattachine was founded."

An article entitled, "Vag Lewd, A Criticism of the California Statute", by Los Angeles Attorney, HENRY SILVER, appears on page 3 of "Mattachine Review", Jan.-Feb.-, 1955 Issue. The writer states in part, that regarding California penal code section 647.5, it would be desirable to obtain a clear determination of the California lewd-vagarancy provision which in the opinion of the writer, is anachronism of medieval law and a menace to civil liberties. (Note: The Vag-lewd Section 647.5 PC is a common charge against Homosexuals who have committed acts of lewdness and sexual perversion. The Mattachine Society has been working for several years to have this section of the penal code, declared unconstitutional.)

The above mentioned issue of "Mattachine Review" has an article entitled, "Mattachine Quiz" on the back cover. It answers questions about the Mattachine Society, Inc., and gives the reasons for it's formation and existence and shows the structure of the Society.

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Information from Source indicates that the Mattachine Society is becoming more active as a result of the publication of the "Mattachine Review". It appears to make the Homosexuals more bold and give them a true sense of belonging to an organization which is fighting to make a sex variant acceptable in our society.

It has been observed that members of the Mattachine Society have become quite open in admitting that they are Homosexuals and that they are members of the Mattachine. There have been several instances reported when someone teases or ridicules an obvious homosexual, that the homosexual threatens to bring legal action and brags about being a member of the Mattachine Society.

The Mattachine Society has for some time, published a monthly "Newsletter" from each Area. The Los Angeles Area Council "Newsletter" of Feb., 1955, announced that with the publication of the "Mattachine Review", the Los Angeles Area Council will be confining it's monthly "Newsletter" to topics and news of local interests.

There have been numerous studies by Psychologists and Psychiatrists regarding homosexuals. Among these is one currently being conducted by DR. EVELYN CALDWELL HOOKER, of the U.C.L.A. Psychology Department, who is conducting a study on homosexuals, their behavior, background, psychological aspects, mental aspects, reasons for their actions, etc., in order to determine what can be done to alleviate the sexual psychopath. Dr. Hooker is working under a U.S. Public Health Service grant. Dr. Hooker has carried on her research with cooperation from the Mattachine Society. She has written a summary of her research report. The Southern Area Council "Newsletter" of the Mattachine Society, dated 8-1-54, printed this summary of Dr. Hooker's report. She classified the homosexual as belonging to one or several types of personality structure. The three major groups of individuals with their distribution in the homosexual group are: 1. The S type, characterized by rigid conforming and orderly behavior and by absolute acceptance of authority. He seeks gratification of his needs in personal relations without regard for the needs of the other individual as a person. 2. The N type, characterized by highly individualized and personalized social relationships, non-conforming behavior and rejection of authority. 3. The R type, is independent of both S and N, and includes individuals who are interested in ideas, rather than persons, and maintain social relations which are distant and impersonal, and are passive and restrained in impulse. Dr. Hooker has estimated that 1% of the homosexual group fall under type S; 13% of homosexuals fall under N type; 16% of homosexuals fall under R type, and 30% do not fall in any category which is classifiable. The remaining 40% are found in border line positions mostly close to the N, and R types. Tentatively, Dr. Hooker concluded that homosexuals vary widely in personality structure and do not constitute a distinct type. It may be that the Mattachine Society is not typical of the total homosexual group and that the large numbers of individuals who belong to the R group, constitute a select group of persons who are interested in ideas rather than persons, making possible the development of the organization.

The Mattachine Society has received a great deal of publicity. PAUL COATES, TV and newspaper reporter, had a TV program devoted to information about the Mattachine Society, in his "Confidential File", May 2, 1954. Coates also wrote several articles regarding the Mattachine Society, and "One" magazine, one of which is an article in the Los Angeles Mirror, May 4, 1954. The magazine "Confidential", May, 1954 issue has an article entitled, "America on Guard: Homosexuals Incorporated." This article is a short summary of the Mattachine and also discusses "One" magazine.

The Mattachine Society, Inc., Los Angeles Area, issued an "Information Digest", in 1954 that gives general information, history of the Society, organizational structure, names of principles, and a directory which shows the following:

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Note: Chapter 103, the Legal Chapter, was suspended from the Mattachine Society as the result of action taken by the Los Angeles Area Council at a special meeting held Aug. 20, 1954.

Information from Source M-69 indicates that the following Chapters of the Mattachine Society were active, as of 1-20-55.

Chicago: Chapter 160; 52 members; Chapter 161, 32 members;
Chapter 163, 39 members; Chapter 164, 62 members
(164 plans to sub-divide and make Chapter 162).

New York City: (Including Boroughs) Chapter 170, 21 members; Chapter 171, 38 members; Chapter 172, 26 members; Chapter 173, 9 members; Chapter 174, 61 members; Chapter 175, 23 members; Chapter 176, 39 members; Chapter 177, 24 members; Chapter 178, 25 members.

Norfolk, Va.: Chapter 193, 22 members; Chapter 195, 31 members.

Florida: Tampa, Fla., 2 Chapters; Key West, Fla., 4 Chapters; Jacksonville, 3 Chapters

New Orleans, La., has 9 small chapters. (The largest chapter has 12 members.)

Source [redacted] indicates that there is a new homosexual organization in the East, called, "Homosexuals, Anonymous", which has 83 members. Non-members can attend the meetings of this organization by invitation only. This organization includes prominent people, 11 Doctors, and 3 Psychiatrists. This is a very closely guarded association. An article in the magazine, "Vue" of July, 1954, gives some information about "Homosexuals Anonymous". A member of Chapter 171 of Mattachine Society in New York City, one [redacted] knows some of the members of "Homosexuals Anonymous". [redacted] the Metropolitan Book Shop at 1133 - 6th Ave., New York City.

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Information from Source [redacted] indicates that on or about December, 1954, the "National Organization for Sex Research" was chartered in California. The leaders of this organization were formerly members of Chapter 103, the Legal Chapter of the Mattachine Society. As indicated above, Chapter 103 was suspended from the Society on 8-20-54. This new organization had been active for several months prior receiving their charter. The reasons for the suspension of Chapter 103 of the Mattachine, are as follows.

One, [redacted] a member of former Chapter 103 was alleged to have been doing investigations of members of the Mattachine Society. He had stated that he belonged to an organization which binds him to investigate Communism. One [redacted] a member of the Mattachine Society made a complaint to [redacted] of the Legislative Committee of the Mattachine Society, who in turn passed the complaint to [redacted] of the Southern Area Council of Mattachine Society.

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[redacted] passed the complaint to KENNETH BURNS, Chairman of the Mattachine Society. Burns made a formal complaint to the Board of Directors, which censored the actions of [redacted] Burns sent letters to the members of Chapter 103 and to the Chairman of Chapter 103, one [redacted]

[redacted] The letters stated that if the charges were true, Chapter 103 was to suspend [redacted] for violating the code of anonymity of the Society. No action was taken by [redacted] or Chapter 103, therefore the Board of Directors, suspended Chapter 103. Source [redacted] indicates that the members of Chapter 103, rather than be re-instated, decided to organize a new distinct organization, and called it "National Organization for Sex Research".

A meeting was called for Wednesday, 11-3-54, and all members of Chapter 103 were urged to attend. On 11-10-54, the "National Organization for Sex Research" had a business meeting at 1312 N. Stanley Ave., Hollywood. Twelve members were present. [redacted] of the

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who had been inactive in the Mattachine Society for the past 6 months.

A convention was held on Sunday, Nov. 14, 1954, at 1312 N. Stanley, Hollywood, where [redacted] was elected [redacted] the "National Organization for Sex Research". Source [redacted] indicates that the building at 1312 N. Stanley, has been donated for the use, as a permanent meeting place of this group. [redacted] of 1312 N. Stanley, Phone HO 7-6268, donated the building. The "National Psychological Research Foundation" and University for Social Research, carries on their activities at this address.

It is noted that Chapter 103 of the Mattachine Society has been the Legal Chapter. This legal Chapter had members throughout the State of California and were active in interpreting laws and directing the Society's business from a legal point of view. One, HERBERT ERNEST SELWYN, a Los Angeles Attorney, [redacted] for the National Organization for Sex Research. He had been the Attorney for the Mattachine Society on the West Coast and worked quite closely with the Legal Chapter, 103. Confidential and reliable information was received that [redacted]

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The National Organization for Sex Research apparently is not too active at the present time. [redacted] appears to be the main spark of the organization and without him, the members appear to lack any initiative.

The following have been meeting places for the Mattachine Society:

357 N. Belmont Ave., Los Angeles

215 N. Ave. 53, Los Angeles (Highland Park).

Robinson Hotel, 33½ East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, (meeting place of Chapter 113.)

257½ W. 42nd St., Los Angeles 37, (Has been meeting place of Chapter 102.)

4901 N. Figueroa St., Los Angeles (Highland Park) (Has been meeting place of the Regional Board of Directors.)

3314 Stevely, Long Beach, (Long Beach Area discussion group has met here).

1830 Sutter St., San Francisco, (American Friends Service Committee Center).

The Long Beach Area Council "Newsletter", of the Mattachine Society, Vol. 1 -2, 1954, states that the San Francisco Chapters of the Society, scheduled a discussion group meeting for Sept. 2. The main feature of the meeting was the organization, aims and progress of the emotional security program being conducted for committed sex offenders at Metropolitan State Hospital at Norwalk. The meeting, as scheduled was held at the American Friends Service Committee Center, 1830 Sutter St., San Francisco.

The above mentioned Newsletter, also announced a discussion group meeting sponsored by Long Beach Chapter 113, on 8-12-54, at 3314 Stevely, Ave., Lakewood, California. Security risks was the topic of discussion. (This letter announced that information regarding Long Beach Chapter of

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Mattachine Society, could be obtained by writing to P.O. Box 1232, Long Beach, Calif., or by calling Long Beach 350327, anytime after 5:00PM.

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The Long Beach Chapter 113, has held meetings in [redacted]
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The below listed individuals have been associated with the Mattachine Society, Inc.:

[redacted] of Harbor Area Council, Mattachine Society.

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[redacted] of Chapter 105, Los Angeles

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Residence address: [redacted]

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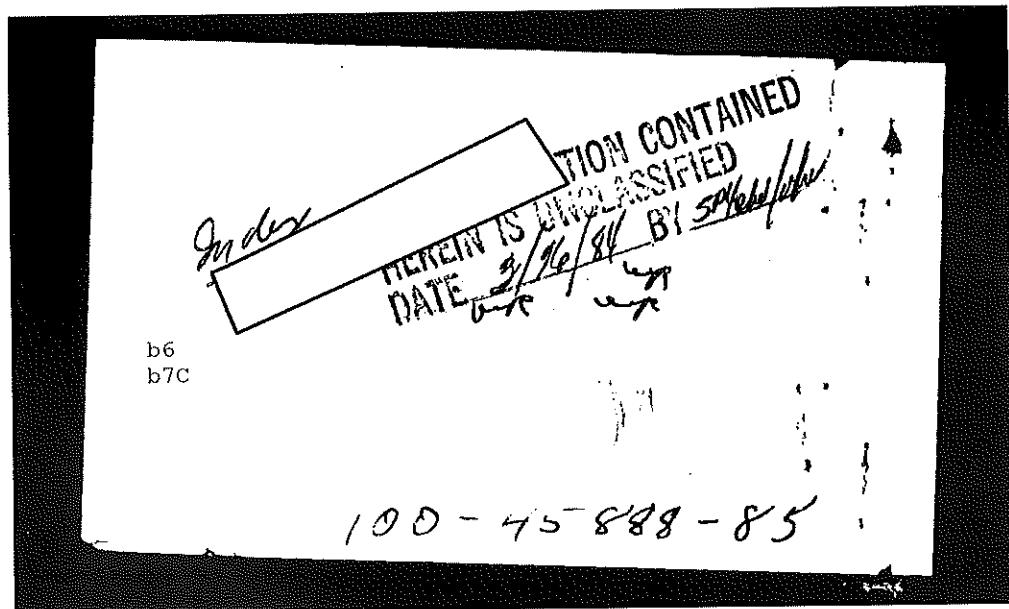
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As stated previously, the Mattachine Society, Inc., appears to be more active than in the recent past. Members are attending more meetings of the Society and are more active in recruiting new members. The Society's program appears to be to give more emphasis to education and research on sex variants, not necessarily to cure a homosexual of his tendencies, but to have society accept him or her as an equal. This applies to job security, both public and private, as well as social acceptance. The literature of the Mattachine Society indicates that homosexuality is not necessarily abnormal. At the meetings of the Society and in the literature, an effort is made to acquaint the members with various types of research and information regarding homosexuals by well known Psychiatrists and educators.

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In February, 1955, [redacted] of the Board of Directors, Mattachine Society, Inc., wrote to the University Explorer, U.C.L.A., and requested permission to re-print all or parts of an "Explorer" broadcast of Oct. 21, 1951, over CBS, in regard to sex offenders,.. In an issue of "Mattachine Review".





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THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY INC. P.O. BOX 1925 LOS ANGELES 53, CALIFORNIA
VOLUME 2 No. 13 MARCH 1965

MATTACHINE CONVENTION

Plans are going forward for the annual convention to be held May 14th and 15th in Los Angeles. The big new feature of this convention is going to be a series of open forums to be held the afternoon of May 14th, to which the public is invited. The annual banquet will follow featuring a guest speaker and the conferring of special awards. This has become an event of distinction in the Society and we welcome any friends of the Society.

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MATTACHINE REVIEW

We have some advance information on the contents of the second issue of the Mattachine Review that looks like we will top the first issue. Some of the especially interesting topics are: "Deep are the Roots", a story of prejudice by Carl B. Harding; "Sex Pervert, Age 7"; "Justice Scored in Provo Case", by Paul Bonnyhoff; "Let's start over in North Carolina", a criticism of sex laws in that state; "Treatment of Sex offender Cases in Denmark", by Paul W. Tappan; "Problems Facing an International Organization", by Floris van Nocholten, Amsterdam, president of International Committee for Sexual Equality.

There is a dire need for subscriptions. If you haven't subscribed yet dig deep and do so. You shant be sorry for the Review is well worth it as you can see by the above titles. A handy subscription blank is appended to bottom of page two.

SO YOU THINK THE MATTACHINE
SOCIETY IS UNUSUAL ...

There are organizations AND organizations. For example, in the U.S.A. there is a Cat Fanciers Club, the American Sunbathing Association (a euphemism for Nudists), the National Association for the Advancement of White People, and numbers of other odd associations.

In December 1954, the State of Virginia granted a charter to a new organization which calls itself the "National Protective Individual Rights, Inc." Among its stated purposes are; to foster, protect and maintain all rights of citizens and States as guaranteed by the Constitution, and to maintain all social customs of American citizens.

This merely points up the fact that people do have the right to organize and that any group which feels it must do so in order to advance its welfare as a minority group has this right to bind together for the betterment of its members

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ORIENTATION MEETING

Are you interested in knowing more about Mattachine than you are getting from the Discussion Group?

Have you attended one of the Orientation meetings which have been of such help and interest to prospective members? Those meetings are held the first Friday of every month at 357 N. Belmont Ave. at 8:30 P.M. Attend one of these sessions and get an answer to those questions you have been asking yourself about Mattachine.

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DISCUSSION GROUP

NOTE --- The next discussion group which meets on the third Wednesday of April will be held at the Area office at 357 No. Belmont, corner of Temple, at 8:30 P.M. Our speaker will be David Rabin, well-known Los Angeles Lawyer, who will discuss the law in relation to the minority. Mr. Rabin has spoken at our discussion groups before and will have some very interesting information for us.

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AREA COUNCIL

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC. P.O. BOX 1925 LOS ANGELES 53, CALIFORNIA
VOLUME 3 No. 1

April 1955

MATTACHINE CONVENTION

MAY 14th MAY 15th

On May 14th and 15th, the Mattachine Society is holding its annual convention in Los Angeles. We look forward throughout the year to this, the crowning event of the Society, and the Los Angeles Area is pleased and proud to be the host.

The convention meetings will be held in the Area office at 357 No. Belmont Avenue, and will feature a series of one hour forums beginning at 1:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 14th. The public is invited to attend the interesting discussions planned, of which we will have more to say in our next newsletter.

Following the discussion forums will be the annual banquet, with a noted speaker, and we promise you an interesting evening. The annual awards are also a regular feature of the banquet, so we are sure any and all who are interested in the Society and its aims will want to attend.

Reservations for the banquet must be made in advance of May 9th, and tickets are obtainable for \$3.50, applications to be made to Mattachine Society, Inc. P.O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, Calif., or directly to the office, 357 No. Belmont Avenue, Los Angeles 26, Calif.

Registration will open at 12:30 P.M. on Saturday, May 14th, and the registration fee is \$1.00.

MAY DISCUSSION GROUP

The May Discussion Meeting, to be held at the Society office at 357 N. Belmont Ave., promises to be one of our most interesting meetings. The speaker will be Gerald Heard, well known author and lecturer. In addition, at this meeting, coming as it does right on the heels of the convention, an opportunity is provided to have a report on accomplishments at this important event. We meet at 8:30, and the location at Belmont and Temple is very convenient to all the Los Angeles Area.

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ASSEMBLY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 42

The following has come to our attention and we submit a resume of an amendment referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments of the State Assembly in the 1955 regular session and introduced by Assemblyman Lyon.

Assembly Constitutional Amendment No. 42 -- A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by amending Section 18 of Article 1 thereof, relating to trials in sex crime cases.

Section 18. In criminal prosecutions, in any court whatever, the party accused shall have the right to a speedy and public trial, EXCEPT THAT IF SUCH PARTY IS ACCUSED OF A SEX CRIME, THE COURT MAY EXCLUDE FROM THE COURTROOM ALL PERSONS OTHER THAN OFFICERS AND ATTACHES OF THE COURT, THE ACCUSED, AND THE JURY; to have the process of the court to compel the attendance of witnesses in his behalf, and to appear and defend, in person and with counsel. No person shall be twice put in jeopardy for the same offense; nor be compelled in any criminal case, to be a witness against himself; nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law; but in any criminal case, whether the defendant testified or not, his failure to explain or deny by his testimony any evidence or facts in the case against him may be commented upon by the court and by counsel, and may be considered by the court or the jury. The Legislature shall have the power to provide for the taking, in the presence of the party accused and his counsel, of depositions of witness in criminal cases, other than cases of homicide when there is reason to believe that the witness, from inability or other cause, will not attend trial.

We offer the above report with no comment beyond the fact that we think it merits the attention of the minority. Your Assemblyman would be interested in your reaction to this proposal.

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SO YOU WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER

To all of you that are interested in becoming a member of Mattachine Society, I suggest that you attend one of our ORIENTATION meetings.

WHAT IS THIS MEETING ABOUT? At this meeting you will find all your questions about the Society answered. This meeting is held especially for you. We are at your service. Memberships are also accepted at the ORIENTATION MEETING.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the April orientation meeting was cancelled. However, we expect to be back at the old stand the first Friday in May. The time is 8:30, the place, 357 N. Belmont Ave at Temple.

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Los Angeles 17, California
May 31, 1955

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Attention: Major [redacted]

Re: MATTACHINE SOCIETY

Gentlemen:

For your information, a confidential informant, an admitted homosexual, advised this office on May 18, 1955 that he attended the Saturday meeting of the annual convention of the Mattachine Society on May 14, 1955. He stated that the convention was held May 13, 14, and 15, 1955 at 557 Belmont Avenue, Los Angeles, California. He stated that the convention was originally scheduled to be held in Long Beach but they had had difficulty in finding a place to hold it, so it was held at the Society's office at the above address.

This informant stated that there were thirty-seven people in attendance at the meeting and the banquet, which was held in a banquet room on Sunset and Glendale Boulevards. It is noted that he has been a member of the Mattachine Society for approximately one year and that he was treasurer for the Harbor area for several months and is an associate member of what is known as an ambassador-at-large, which permits him to attend any meeting at any time.

This individual advised that the membership in the Society has dropped from three hundred to less than one hundred inasmuch as they are getting rid of all the "dead weight" and those who would not pay their dues. He stated that in his year in the Society he has never encountered anything which he would consider of a subversive nature and that the objective of the Society is to make the lot of the homosexual better. He stated that he has never met anyone in the organization whom he would consider subversive in any nature or who had any Communistic dealings whatsoever.

According to informant, a Dr. Hooker, [redacted] at the University of California at Berkeley, is the present advisor on research in the organization; and an attorney named Herbert E. Selwyn, [redacted] [redacted] is a legal advisor of the organization.

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He also advised that a Los Angeles County probation officer named Walk gave
a talk to the convention.

Also enclosed herewith is a memorandum which might be of interest
to your office.

Very truly yours,

JOHN F. MALONE
Special Agent in Charge

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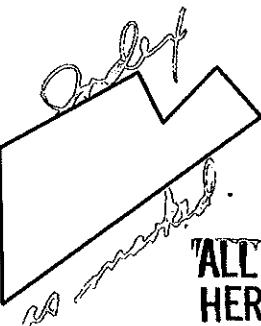
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The informant stated that there was nothing about the Convention that would be of interest to this office in his estimation. The informant was advised that it was not necessary for him to continue attending meetings of the Mattachine Society as far as this office is concerned.

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Lecture held Wednesday May 25, 1955 at 8:00 P.M. - 1312 North Stanley Avenue, Hollywood, California - Topic "The Problem Of The Sex Offender" by Mr. HARRY E. WEISS, Los Angeles Attorney.

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Information received from Source [redacted] that Mr. WEISS, an attorney in the field of criminal law and also referred to as a lawyer for this society spoke on the above subject.

Mr. WEISS told of the laws attitude toward the homosexual and said that 98% of his cases were in the defense of the homosexual. He told [redacted] how the lawyer goes about preparing his case and stressed the importance of things they should not do when they are picked up. He said the main thing was not to talk and demand the services of an attorney. Mr. Weiss then told how the Los Angeles Police Department worked in apprehending sex offenders. Mr. Weiss announced that at the next three lectures he would go into more detail concerning law past and present, the courts functions and rehabilitation. He said that todays law is in a witch-burning stage.

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[redacted] reports that additional information regarding the other lectures to be given by MR. WEISS will follow as soon as available.

The Los Angeles Telephone Directory lists HARRY E. WEISS, [redacted]

The Natl Assn for Sexual Research and the MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC., now inform members what to do in case of an arrest. Source [redacted] reports that [redacted]

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EXHIBIT memo-letter on letterhead Natl Assn for Sexual Research announcing lecture May 25, 1955 by Atty Harry E Weiss.

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EXHIBIT II - leaflet entitled Cory Book Service, 799 Broadway "The Troubled Midnight"

III - leaflet letter announcing Gerald Syke's new book, etc. from Cory Book Service.

IV - leaflet letter announcing "The Conformist". (II, III, IV) were received by M69 through themail.

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Annual Convention held May 14-15, 1955 at the Arch Office
357 North Belmont Ave., Los Angeles

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Registered attendance 31.

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Information received from Source [redacted] reports that KEN BURNS was chairman of the convention and opened the convention the first day with panel discussions. These panels were divided into four one hour discussion groups such as -

- 1 P.M. Organization, Ken Burns, chairman.
- 2 P.M. Public Relations, Ronald Brookhart, director.
- 3 P.M. Legal Legislative, Don Lucas, director.
- 4 P.M. Research, Joe CARSON, director.

Ken BURNS spoke on the Mattachine's progress and told the group that there were now 110 active members in the MS in this area. He announced that there were members attending this convention who represented MS in Chicago, Detroit, and San Francisco.

Ronald Brookhart of Chapter 104 and public relations director for MS told how his chapter collected newspaper clippings that dealt with laws and cases of the homosexual. He told of their work on the magazine 'Mattachine Review', and how public relations had advanced during the year and that his chapter had several sound tapes that were recorded of addresses given by experts relating to sex and mental health subjects. He announced that these tapes were available for use throughout the society. He announced that the projects planned for this department for the coming year will be aimed at increasing the interest and service of the societies public discussions group, with a tie-in with the research department to implement such group therapy techniques as are applicable under present conditions.

DICK GRIFFEN of the Long Beach Chapter spoke on the achievements of this chapter and told of the coming events scheduled which were as follows:

- June 3 - business meetings at 2136 Fidler Ave., L. B.
- June 10 work session, (Chapters 102 and 113), benefit drive for hospital and area.
- June 15 Westminster Discussion Group (Chapter 102 and 113), 7802 21st St., Westminster. Topic - "So You Want To Form A Chapter". There are plans being laid to start a new chapter in this area.
- June 20 Huntington Park Discussion Group, (Chpt. 102); Topic "Why Talk About It."
- June 29 Long Beach Discussion Group, 2136 Fidler Ave., L. B. Martha Holcombe, chairman. Topic - "What Project Shall Chapter 102 and 104 Go Together On."

DON LUCAS - Legal-Legislative Director, reported that the individual, rather than organizational support to purpose legislation would continue to key-note the Mattachine policy. This means cooperation with other organization, working closely with their legal and legislative chairman, and consultation, with attorneys, legislators and others concerned with law enactment. A projected legal brochure information, in preparation in Chicago, will be adopted for general use throughout the society.

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MATTACHINE SOCIETY convention
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The convention held a banquet at Botwin's Restaurant, 1911 Sunset Blvd., at 6:30 P.M., on May 14. Mr. Sidney WACHS, Los Angeles County Deputy Probation Officer addressed the group. Mr. WACHS told of the organization an activities of the Probation Department and stressed that the job of a probation officer is to work for and with the probationer and not against him or as a "watch-dog". At the conclusion of Mr. WACHS talk the presentation of the Society's Annual Awards was held. Honorary membership went to KEN BURNS, (Chairman); and to JAMES BARR FUGATE, (Author); and member of the year nominee was Publications Director HAL CALL. The second day of the convention Sunday May 15, 1955 was devoted to business matters with members only allowed to attend. A unanimous vote was passed for the society to apply immediately for membership in the, "International Committee For Sexual Equality", (Amsterdam, Holland, a World Organization of Research and Educational Organizations which is now undertaking the to aid the United Nation Educational Social and Cultural Organization - UNESCO and pressing for solution of the sexual problems in member countries). The publishers of "ONE", magazine contained members of I.C.S.E. several months ago. New officers were elected to the board of directors for the comming year. Elected were KEN BURNS, chairman; MAX HEMMIN, vice-chairman; D. C. OLSEN, secretary; VIRGIL BRADY, treasurer; B. VAERLEM, research director; HAL CALL, publications director; RON BROOKHART, public relations director; D. STEWART LUCAS, director of legal-legislative department. The administrative headquarters will continue to be in Los Angeles it was announced. The next annual meeting will be held in San Francism, May 1956. The director adopted a revised method of dues payment by active members of chapters and areas. The new system provides for semi-annual payments of ten dollars to area counsels treasurers, due and payable each January 1, and July 1. Of this amount (\$20.00) the board receives 40% (\$8.00). It was announced that they plan to have the board of directors meet only quarterly because the functional areas are now well established and have good leadership. The convention adjourned.

Exhibit I - Program Leaflet entitled Mattachine Society Inc. 2nd annual convention.

Note: Additional convention hi-lights are in articles in the Mattachine Review of July-August 1955 and the Long Beach Area Newsletter of May 15, 1955.

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[redacted] WHEN [redacted] PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.

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b7C ABOUT 1953 [redacted] LEARNED FROM A FELLOW WORKER IN THE MARINE REPAIR SHIPYARD, LOS ANGELES WATERFRONT, THAT THE SUBJECT ORGANIZATION HELD BRANCH MEETINGS IN LONG BEACH, AND THESE MEETINGS WERE VERY ENTERTAINING. [redacted] COULD NOT RECALL THE NAME OF THE FELLOW WORKER AND IDENTIFIED HIM AS A ONE TIME CARPENTER OR BUILDER,

[redacted] SAW THIS MAN AT ONE MEETING ONLY OF THE LONG BEACH BRANCH OF THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY. INFORMATION CONTAINED

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[redacted] SAID HE ATTENDED A NUMBER OF MEETINGS OF THE GROUP ABOUT THE END OF 1953 AND EARLY PART OF 1954, THEN LOST INTEREST. HE RECEIVED NOTICES OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GROUP THROUGH THE SPRING OF 1955. [redacted] SAID THAT THE GROUP SEEMED MAINLY INTERESTED IN SEXUAL RESEARCH, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO HOMOSEXUALS. [redacted] INDICATED THAT HE WENT TO THE MEETINGS OUT OF SIMPLE CURIOSITY, THAT HE COULD NOT BE SURE THAT ANY OF THE MEMBERSHIP WERE HOMOSEXUALS, EXCEPT THAT THEIR PECULIAR MANNERISMS IN MANY INSTANCES WOULD SUGGEST HOMOSEXUALITY. [redacted]

[redacted] CITED MALES WEARING EARRINGS, EFFEMINATE MARKS OF DRESS, AND OTHER PERSONAL MANNERISMS OF VOICE, SPEECH AND GESTURE AS EXAMPLES.

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[redacted] COULD RECALL THE FOLLOWING BY NAME AS AMONG
ATTENDANTS OF THE LONG BEACH GROUP. [redacted]

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[redacted] RECALLED THAT IN ONE INSTANCE, A MAN FROM
THE MAIN OFFICE OR ONE OF THE LOS ANGELES BRANCHES GAVE A LECTURE OR
SPEECH AT ONE OF THE LB GROUP MEETINGS, THE MAN'S NAME UNRECALLED.

[redacted] ALSO RECALLED AN ANNOUNCED MEETING IN ONE OF THE MAIN
AUDITORIUMS AT UCLA, WHEREIN ONE OF THE "EXPERTS" OF THE MATTACHINE
SOCIETY SPOKE ON PROBLEMS OF THE HOMOSEXUAL.

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[redacted] SAID THAT OSTENSIBLY THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY
IS INTERESTED IN SEXUAL RESEARCH, BUT THAT THE MEMBERSHIP QUARRELS
AMONG ITSELF. [redacted] SAID HE GAVE UP THE GROUP FOR THIS REASON,
AND ALSO BECAUSE A GIRL WAS INTRODUCED TO DANCE NUDE ON A TABLE AT
ONE OF THE MEETINGS, WITH THE PICTURE WINDOW OF THE ROOM UNDRAPED
IN A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD OF LONG BEACH. [redacted] WAS UNABLE
TO SPECIFY WHETHER THE RESEARCH OF THE GROUP WAS BEING DONE FOR AN
OUTSIDE INTEREST. THE NAME OF [redacted] WAS DISCREETLY INTRODUCED

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INTO THE INTERVIEW. THIS DID NOT INSPIRE ANY PARTICULAR
RESPONSE ON THE PART OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RECALLED WRITING A LETTER OF INQUIRY TO THE
GENERAL OFFICE OF THE GROUP DURING THE PERIOD IN WHICH HE WAS
INTERESTED IN THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY. HE SAID A LETTER CAME IN
REPLY FROM ONE [REDACTED] ---, WHO APPEARED TO BE INTERESTED IN THE
RESEARCH ASPECTS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

[REDACTED] WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED 3/1/56 BY SA
[REDACTED] FOLLOWING A PHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED] AT WHICH
TIME HE FURNISHED THE NAME OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT THIS TIME ALSO

[REDACTED] FURNISHED SA [REDACTED] A SHEET OF PAPER CONTAINING ADDRESSES
FOR THE VARIOUS MATTACHINE CHAPTERS, LA AREA, ABOUT 1953-54, AND A
QUESTIONNAIRE CONCERNING THE SEX LIFE OF THE MEMBERSHIP, WHICH

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[REDACTED] STATED HE HAD DECLINED TO SUBMIT TO THE GROUP. THESE
ITEMS TOGETHER WITH A TORN NOTE SHOWING THE OFFICIAL ADDRESS OF THE
LONG BEACH CHAPTER OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE
IA SECTION OF 100-45888.

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The Articles of Incorporation listed the following directors:

End of
KEN BURNS, 1123 W. 42nd St., Los Angeles, California
FRANK A. PARKHURST, 1821 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles
JOHN LOY, 1513 N. Hoover St., Los Angeles
JIM LA HA, 4245 E. 5th St., Long Beach, Calif.
MAROLD L. CALL, 786 Geary St., San Francisco

Photostat of the above Article of Incorporation and of the letter dated March 23, 1954, are being forwarded as enclosures to this airtel.

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In addition, [redacted] also made available a sheet captioned, "THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC.", which set forth the member of the Administrative Council. The following names were set forth:

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MRS. HENRY HAY
MRS. D. T. CAMPBELL
ROMAYNE COX
DALE JENNINGS
EDDIE GERNREICH
MARTIN F. BLOCK

HENRY HAY
WILLACE MAYKEY
CHARLES D. ROWLAND
ROBERT B. MULL
KONRAD STEVENS
JAMES F. GRUBER

A photostat of the above-described sheet is being furnished as an enclosure to this airtel.

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[redacted] Division of Corporations, California
State Department of Investments, State Building, No. 1, Sacramento, informed on February 2nd, 1956, the division had no information concerning the organization known as "One, Inc.". She stated that a record was maintained only of those organizations qualified to issue stock.

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[redacted] Franchise Tax Division, Franchise Tax Board, 1020 N Street, Sacramento, related on February 28, 1956, that the file maintained in his office with respect to the organization known as "One, Inc." revealed that application for Franchise Tax exemption was filed on February 18, 1953, stating that the organization intended to publish a magazine dealing with homosexuals from a "scientific, historical, and critical point of view in an attempt to aid in the social integration and rehabilitation of the sexual variant." The application was signed DALE JENNINGS.

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The application was denied on the grounds that it was a fictional and not an educational magazine. A second application for exemption was filed on December 30, 1954, which was, according to [redacted] a duplication of the previous request, and this application was also denied.

[redacted] went on to say that a tax and penalty was assessed after the denial, and the organization was suspended as a bona fide organization on January 3, 1955, when the tax and penalty were not promptly paid.

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The organization filed a Revivor Application on February 21, 1955, and paid the accrued liability at the same time; the corporation was thereupon re-established as of February 21, 1955. [redacted] stated that the corporation now pays the assessment levied, and is in good standing with the Franchise Tax Board. With respect to the assessment, [redacted] stated that it was an arbitrary assessment for minimum tax and penalties since no profit was shown.

[redacted] California State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, Sacramento, on February 29, 1956, informed that his Bureau had conducted no active investigation of either, "One, Inc." or the MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, Inc., but had actually accumulated several items of information regarding both groups.

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He stated that he believed that the groups were integrated with a common purpose. He exhibited copies of the magazine known as "One," and SA [redacted] noted that the agency was in possession of the issues for December, 1954; January, March, April, and June, 1955. In the April, 1955, issue, page 45, was listed the address for the publication known as "MATTACHINE REVIEW." The publication which was first issued in January, 1955, had the address of PO Box 259, San Francisco 1, California.

[redacted] went on to inform that a representative of his agency had made an inquiry which disclosed that PO Box 259, San Francisco, was listed to the MATTACHINE SOCIETY, and had been rented by one [redacted]

[redacted] further informed that the inquiry also disclosed that the following individuals were permitted access to the PO Box:

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[redacted] furnished the following items:

1. 13 page document captioned "MATTACHINE--What's It All About?"
2. 2 page document, "Request for Information."

In referenced airtel request was made to attempt to identify DAVID L. FREEMAN whose name appeared in the byline of an article appearing in the November, 1955, issue of "One." [redacted] was unable to identify this individual in the files of CII. [redacted]

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SF indices negative concerning SF residents mentioned herein. SF office has no informants who can aid in the investigation leading towards FREEMAN'S identity or information concerning "One." RUC.

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SA [redacted]

"ONE", The Homosexual Magazines,
Published by One, Inc., 232 South
Hill St., Los Angeles
Crime Records (Research)

Investigation concerning the above publication is now being
handled in 100-45888, the subject file on The MATTACHINE
SOCIETY, Inc. That organization now has its own publication
"The Mattachine Review", and there appears to be no connection
between One, Inc., which was incorporated 5-27-53, according
to information on file in the LA County Clerk's Office,
Ferguson Bldg., LA, and the MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.

In view of the foregoing a new case should be opened on
subject organization, and the following transferred to the new file:
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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-53803)

"ONE," THE HOMOSEXUAL MAGAZINE
PUBLISHED BY ONE, INC.
232 SOUTH HILL STREET
LOS ANGELES 12, CALIFORNIA
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

Re LA let to Bureau 3/2/56.

Since there appears to be no present organizational connection between One, Inc. and the Mattachine Society, a new case file, as indicated above, has been opened in the Los Angeles Office on One, Inc. Per the Bureau's information, the Mattachine Society now has its own publication, which bears the title "The Mattachine Review."

Investigation conducted by this office has developed that [redacted] referred to in LA airtel to the Bureau 2/2/56 in this matter and who is variously listed in "One" magazine and in bank accounts of One, Inc. [redacted]

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[redacted] is identical with Willigan

[redacted] Legge resides at 1717 South Marshfield.
[redacted] which is a small dwelling house currently being purchased by one [redacted] under a U.I. Loan. Neighbors state that Legge and [redacted] reside there together.

"One" magazine is being printed by a firm known as Abbey Lithographers, 228 East Third Street, Los Angeles, which is a small corporation founded and operated by [redacted]

[redacted] During a pretext interview with [redacted] on 3/8/56 he advised that he has printed "One" magazine, apparently since its inception, and has in his possession most of the back copies. [redacted] advised that on at least one occasion he questioned [redacted] when he recalls under the name of William Limbert [redacted] about certain items in the

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magazine which he considered might be viewed as obscene and improper for him to print. [redacted] was assured by [redacted] that everything in the magazine is carefully gone over by the organization's attorney before it is sent to [redacted] for printing and that he need have no concern about anything appearing in the magazine.

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[redacted] advised interviewing agents that he was anxious to cooperate with the Bureau in any matter he could and assured agents he would keep the aforementioned contact confidential. He furnished two copies each of the following back issues of "One":

October, 1955
November, 1955
December, 1955

These copies are being directed to the Bureau herewith.

The Bureau's attention is called to the photographic copy of the issue of "One" for October, 1954, page 28, furnished to the Bureau with relet. This issue lists the points of distribution of "One" magazine in the U.S. and also at Copenhagen, Denmark. In this connection, the Bureau may desire to consider the possibility of a violation in the event interstate and foreign transportation can be established, under Title 18, USC 1462 and 1465, bearing in mind the decision of Los Angeles Federal Judge THIRWOOD CLARKE handed down 3/1/56 in connection with the October, 1954, issue of "One." A photostatic copy of that decision was also furnished the Bureau with relet.

The Los Angeles Office has one original copy of the October, 1954, issue and will attempt to secure others, furnishing the Bureau with an original if possible.

Mr. JOSEPH D. MULLEMMER, Jr., Assistant U.S. Attorney, Federal Building, Los Angeles, advised that [redacted] attorney for One, Inc., contacted him following the decision of Judge CLARKE mentioned above and advised that he will appeal the Court's ruling on that particular issue of the magazine. This Civil matter will be followed and the Bureau kept advised.

Don & Leo As indicative of the covert manner in which [redacted] William has operated, the following is pointed out for the information of the Bureau:

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For the information of the Detroit Office, the November, 1955, issue of "One" magazine contained an article, "How much do we know about the homosexual male?" by DAVID L. FREEMAN, listed in the magazine as its Circulation Manager.

The article reported in part that "The Tornies" composed one of the three main groups of homosexual society, and the article continued "They work for TIME magazine or the NEW YORKER. They are in the diplomatic service; they occupy key positions with oil companies or the FBI (it's true!)."

Efforts to identify DAVID L. FREEMAN have been unsuccessful to date. It is altogether possible that this may likewise be an alias.

An FD-3 is being submitted to the Bureau in connection with LEGG.

The following is a composite description of LEGG:

Name:

WILLIAM BORR LEGG, who William Lambert

William Don Legg, William Legg

12/15/04, Michigan

6' (Appears more nearly 5'10")

Weight: 160 lbs. (Appears somewhat

lighter)

Hair: Brown (bald on top)

Eyes: Brown

Occupation: Architect (LAWF records);

manager OAS, Inc., Room 326,

232 South Hill Street, Los

Angeles, publishers of "One"

magazine, which organization

was incorporated in California,

5/27/53.

Marital Status:

Formerly married to MARY ALLEN

(deceased) in Detroit, Michigan

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Detroit PD No.:
Social Security No.:
Present Address:

Former Addresses:

Bank Account:

Father:
Mother's Maiden
Name:
Brothers:

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1717 South Mansfield Avenue,
Los Angeles
2703½ South Alsace, Los Angeles;
2657 Dalton, Los Angeles;
4959 Hollywood Boulevard,
Los Angeles

Has savings account under name
of W. D. LEGG, Bank of America,
Wilshire and Western Branch,
opened 3/9/51, giving address
as P.O. Box 7692 (Now P.O. Box
15692)

FRANK LEGG

DORR

FRANK LEGG, Ann Arbor, Michigan;
VICTOR LEGG, Maplewood, New Jersey

Investigation in connection with One, Inc. and its
staff is continuing.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-45888)

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-37394)

SUBJECT: THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, Inc.
also known as the Mattachine Society
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

DATE: 4/25/56

ReMyLet dated 4/5/56 captioned, "ONE", The Homosexual Magazine Published by One, Inc., 232 Hill Street, Los Angeles 12, California, Research (Crime Records)".

[redacted] Bureau of Identification and Investigation, Division of Criminal Law and Enforcement, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Justice, State of California, Sacramento 9, California, has informed SA [redacted] that the Mattachine Society will hold a convention at the Bellevue Hotel, San Francisco, California, from May 11 to May 13, 1956.

The above information is being furnished to the San Francisco Police Department, and no further action is contemplated by this office.

The above is being furnished for information only.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-45888)

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-37394)

SUBJECT: THE MATTACHINE FOUNDATION, INC.
aka Mattachine Society
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

DATE: 5-25-56

Remylet dated 4-25-56.

Attached hereto are two photostats of the program for the Third Annual Convention of the Mattachine Society, held at the Bellevue Hotel, San Francisco, California, from May 11 to 13, 1956.

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The original program was furnished by Inspector [redacted]
Intelligence Unit, San Francisco Police Department, on May 10,
1956, to SA [redacted]

The above-described program is being furnished to you for information only.

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THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION PROVES MOST SUCCESSFUL IN HISTORY OF SOCIETY

Delegates and friends from Canada, Oregon, Utah, New York, Arizona, and Iraq attended the Mattachine Society's Third Annual Convention in San Francisco, May 12-13.

The San Francisco Area Council hosted the Convention which began with a reception at the Mattachine Review offices early Friday evening for out of town guests and ended with a business meeting Sunday afternoon at the Hotel Bellevue.

Some 60 persons were registered during the first day of the Convention, besides numerous guests. Besides the early Board of Directors meeting and business meeting, the chief activity of the meeting was a day-long speakers forum, which represented the various fields connected with the study of sex-variety.

Principal speaker for the banquet for Dr. Rock of Atascadero State Hospital, while the speakers forum included such persons as Dr. E. M. Lieberman, head of Mendocino State Hospital, Robert Flippin, parole Director at San Quentin Prison, Mrs. Rhoda Kellogg, Author and export child guidance, lawyers Herbert Solwyn of Los Angeles and Ken Zwerin of San Francisco, Sam Morford, New York Psychologist, and Don Slator of Ono, Incorporated.

The Constitution and By-Laws of the organization, as presented in now form by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, were approved at the Sunday business meeting, as well as recommendations for formalizing Society membership rules.

The Board of Directors offered a vote of confidence and admiration to the San Francisco Area Council for their efforts in making this Convention the finest such meeting to date.

SOCIETY ELECTS FIRST PRESIDENT AS DIRECTOR OF LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

D. Stewart Lucas was elected the first President of the Mattachine Society at the Society's Third Annual Convention in San Francisco last month. Mr. Lucas will assist the Chairman in a directorial capacity, with his chief duties covering direction of Chapter and Area Council activities.

Lucas will remain the Business Manager of the "Mattachine Review," but relinquishes his former position as Legal-Legislative Director on the Board of Directors in favor of his new post.

Ken Burns remains Chairman of the organization, maintaining a position he has held since the Society's inception three years ago. Max Demmin, Dale Olson and Virgil Brady will continue as Vice-Chairman, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, however, Olson relinquishes the office of Recording Secretary to Jack Baker of San Francisco. Hal Call will continue to be Director of Publications, with Sam Morford and Gonzalo Segura, Jr. of New York elected to the posts of Research Director and Director of Public Relations, respectively. The office of Legal-Legislative Director was left open for an interim appointment by the Board of Directors.

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DR. JOSEPH KNOWLS, BAPTIST CHURCH COUNSELOR, TO SPEAK ON JUNE 20th

Dr. Joseph Knowls, Director of Counseling Service for the Baptist Church of Los Angeles, will be the principal speaker at the Los Angeles Area Council's next Discussion group meeting, June 20, at 8:30 p.m.

Dr. Knowls was formerly with Central State Hospital in Lakeland, Kentucky. He is a Doctor in Psychology and Religion.

With the recent publication of an interim report on homosexuality by the Church of England Moral Welfare Council, the religious aspects of sex-variancy have come into the public eye. Dr. Knowls will help to enlighten his audience in those views.

The Discussion meeting will be held at 357 Belmont, corner Temple and Belmont, in Los Angeles.

LONG BEACH AND LOS ANGELES AREA COUNCIL NEWSLETTERS TO COMBINE SOON

The Newsletters of the adjoining Long Beach and Los Angeles Area Councils will combine, beginning with the July issues, according to recent plans presented by both areas Publication's Committees. Each Area will alternate with publication, the Long Beach Area to begin in July. The two mailing lists will be combined at that time.

LONG BEACH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BUSINESS MEETING.....First Saturday of each month. 8p.m.

BRUNCH.....Second Sunday of each month. 1-4,

DISCUSSION GROUP.....Third Saturday of each month. 8p.m.

BEACH PARTY.....Last Sunday of each month, in conjunction with Los Angeles A. C.

All meetings except Beach party will be held at 7802 21st Street in Westminster, off Highway #59.

CHARTER PRESENTED TO NEW YORK CHAPTER AT SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION

Alpha Chapter #123 of New York was officially recognized May 13, when Sam Morford, Chapter Chairman, accepted the Charter from Society Chairman, Ken Burns.

In reporting New York's program, Morford discussed the advisability of accepting only those members whose conduct is such that it can bring no discredit on the organization, as well as those willing to spend their free time on the Chapter's activities. This Area is now in the process of organizing a "book review" staff to submit material for publication in the "Mattachine Review." They have published their third Newsletter and hope to use it as a bulletin of Society activities, as well as local news in the field of sex-variancy.

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INCORPORATED

LOS ANGELES AREA COUNCIL
357 BELMONT
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
P. O. BOX 1925 - MAIN POST OFFICE
LOS ANGELES 53, CALIFORNIA

Among the most frequent comments made during the Mattachine Society Convention last month was one that said, "The Society has finally begun to come into its own." And so it has! The long months and years of hasseling over constitutions and by-laws, recommendations, policies and the other red tape that is so time consuming has developed into one real project that can now carry out the Aims and Principles for which the Society was originally organized. There is little need to say that "The Mattachine Review" fills this position, and, in a year of publication, has proven to fill it well.

Noteworthy persons in the study of sex-variancy, mental health, law, religion, medicine and other related fields have recognized the "Review" as an important link in the ever-increasing studies of sex-variancy in this country and throughout the world. It is planned and hoped that the magazine can soon provide valuable assistance to the professionally trained persons whose efforts are constantly being used toward a better understanding of sexual problems.

In the first year of publication, the "Review" began circulation by request to mental hospitals, Doctors, Research workers, and so forth, as well as to public libraries and the libraries in the country's leading universities. It will be used as reference material by persons who wish to study various aspects of the situation.

The "Review", as well as the Society, does not wish to change law directly or react in other radical manner, but, rather, the chief aims of the organization are to provide an understanding and acceptance of sex-variancy so that all people can be secure within themselves and serve their fellow man to better advantage.

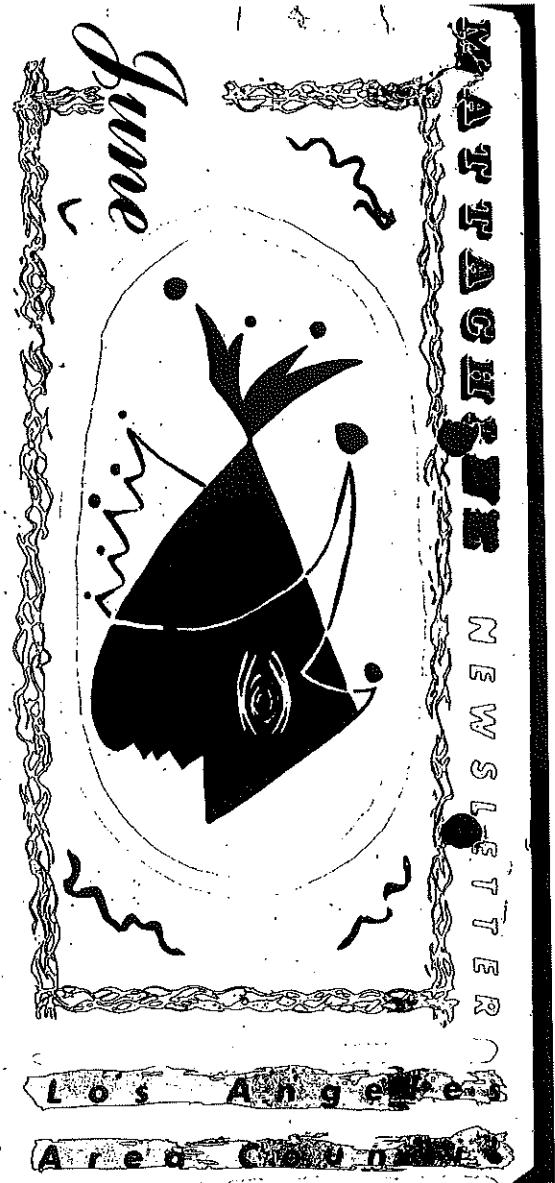
The Los Angeles Newsletter appeals to its readers to think seriously of this goal. Support not only the Society, but the "Review", especially so it can continue to serve you. Attend our meetings and become an active member.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WORK SESSION Second Wednesday of each month - 8 p.m.
357 Belmont, Los Angeles.

DISCUSSION GROUP Third Wednesday of each month - 8:30 p.m.
Next one - June 20, 1956. 357 Belmont.
Speaker: Dr. Joseph Knowls.

BEACH PARTY Last Sunday of each month, 11 a.m. Playa del Rey - North Fire Pits. Society will furnish soft drinks. Bring your own lunch.



LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-45888)

DATE: 7/17/56

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SUBJECT: MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INCORPORATED
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By written report, captioned "Subversive Activities, Long Beach-Los Angeles Harbor Area" dated 6/29/56, the FIO, Long Beach, advised that the National Association for Sexual Research (NASR) is presently holding its meetings at the First Christian Episcopal Church, 257 Occidental Ave., LA. According to the FIO source, otherwise unidentified, the minister of this church [redacted] who at one time, signed a letter urging clemency for [redacted]. This report is classified "Confidential" and is being retained in 100-13364. (X) (4)

FIO source advised that the NASR and the Mattachine Society, Incorporated (NSI) a scheduled a meeting on 6/22/56 in Hollywood, Calif. The NSI now has 65 paid up members with about 10 in Chicago, about 10 in New York and approximately 45 between Long Beach, Los Angeles and San Francisco, Calif., whereas present chapters are maintained in each of these five cities. (X) (4)

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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The FIO at Long Beach furnished a written report dated 6/8/56 to the Long Beach Resident Agency classified "Confidential," captioned "Subversive Activities, Long Beach - Los Angeles Harbor Area." (X)(u)

Paragraph 3 of instant report refers to the third annual convention of the Mattachine Society, Inc., held 5/11-13/56 at the Hotel Bellevue, San Francisco, Calif., to which about 35 delegates attended, representing in part both Los Angeles and Long Beach. (X)(u)

According to the FIO Source (otherwise unidentified) the 1956-1957 officers for the Mattachine Society, Inc. were elected as follows:

Chairman, KEN BURNS (Los Angeles)
Vice-President, MAX DEMMIN (Los Angeles)
Secretary, D. C. OLSEN (Los Angeles)
Treasurer, VIRGIL BRADY (Los Angeles)

Directors:

Publications, HAL CALL (San Francisco)
Research, BASIL VAERLEN (San Francisco)
Legal-Legislative, D. C. LUCAS (San Francisco)
Public Relations, RON BROOKHART (Long Beach)
Area Council Chairman, RAY MEYERS (Los Angeles and
RON BROOKHART (Long Beach)

FIO Source also reported that HERBERT SELWYN, a Los Angeles attorney, was the principle speaker whose topic was "The Homosexual and the Law." Source further reported that Dr. JOSEPH KNOWLS, Director of Counseling Service, Baptist Church of Los Angeles, was scheduled to be the main speaker at a Mattachine Society meeting to be held 6/20/56 at 357 Belmont Avenue, LA. (X)(u) 100-4588-101

Paragraph 2, page 2, the same source as above, advised the FIO that a special meeting of the National Association for Sexual Research (NASR) was held on 6/2/56 at the home of [redacted] to which only four members attended. Source advised that because of the small (X)(u)

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membership of the NASR plans were discussed for consolidating with the Mattachine Society, Inc. The main objection to such consolidation according to Source, was to attorney [redacted] and it was agreed that they would affiliate as soon as the Mattachine Society rid the organization of [redacted]

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ACTION: None (X/u)

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